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SHOOTING AFFRAY TRIAL ENDS.

PRISONER SENTENCED TO DEATH.

DEFENCE URGES EVIDENCE IS INCONSISTENT.

GUILTY OF MURDER.

One of the robber participants in the sensational shooting affray of December last, when a Chinese police searcher was shot through the heart, and Sgt. McMahon and other members of the Force were seriously wounded, was sentenced to death by Sir Henry Gollan at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

He was charged with the murder of Wan Wong-chi, the police searcher, and the jury which sat throughout a many hours' hearing, recorded a verdict of "guilty" after five minutes' deliberation.

The Crown's case was that the prisoner, afterwards wounded himself, shot down Wan Wong-chi when the latter bravely endeavoured to intercept his flight.

Mr. Leo D'Almada, junr., who appeared for the defence, argued this morning that the Crown's evidence showed material inconsistencies. Mr. H. S. Fitzroy prosecuted.

Witness Recalled.

Mr. Leo D'Almada junr. asked for an interpreter to be recalled with regard to a statement made by prisoner on another charge.

The interpreter read the statement which was to the effect that prisoner did not commit murder. He heard shots fired and saw people running, so he also ran. He ran to a place where he was shot down by the police and became unconscious. Where was his revolver to commit the crime with, he asked? He did not know what the matter was.

No Evidence for Defence.

Mr. D'Almada, addressing the court for the defence, said he did not propose to call the prisoner to give evidence, neither did he intend to call witnesses.

Remarking that it was the duty of the jury to acquit the prisoner if there was the faintest shadow of doubt in their minds, analysed the evidence, pointing out alleged inconsistencies.

He referred to the evidence of Dr. Craig who said the bullet extracted from prisoner's thigh must have been spent, and yet police witnesses had said they were between 30 and 50 feet away. One man said he was never more than 40 feet behind.

Point Blank Range.

With regard to the bullet extracted from the heart of Wan Wong-chi, the police searcher, in connexion with whose death the prisoner was charged, Dr. Cannon said the shot must have been fired at point blank range. Dr. Cannon had gone so far as to place the distance between the muzzle of the weapon and Wan's body at nine inches. Against that they had the evidence of Wan's fellow searcher, who was with him at the time, and who said that a distance of between 10 and 12 feet separated the fugitive and Wan when the former fired the shot.

With regard to identification, Mr. D'Almada pointed out that Sgt. O'Flaherty stated he had no opportunity of getting close to the fugitive, that it was night, and that he could recognise the fugitive only by his clothes. He also submitted that the identification of other witnesses could not be accepted. Only one said he had seen the fugitive's face when they grappled, but that witness could only have seen it for a fraction of a second.

Other Pursuers.

Dealing with the chase, Mr. D'Almada went on to say it was curious that only two witnesses mentioned having seen other men chasing the fugitive. Although in the excitement of the chase it might be natural not to notice anything that might be happening in their surroundings, the subconscious mind of a policeman was more acute than that of a civilian owing to training. As there were other chasers, making a considerable noise, some of whom were firing, counsel submitted it would

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HEAVY CUTS IN U.S. ESTIMATES.

PROTESTS AGAINST NAVAL DEMANDS.

WILBUR'S GESTURE.

New York, Feb. 16.

The Washington correspondent of the New York Evening Post states that as the result of a flood of protests against the Government's naval programme, Congress is likely to make considerable cuts in the original estimate.

The twenty-five cruisers demanded by the Navy Department may be limited to fifteen, while the appropriation for submarines may be entirely deleted as the result of the disaster to the S-1 and Mr. F. B. Kellogg's recent gesture in favour of the abandonment of submarines as a weapon of war.

Absent From Farewell Banquet. The newspapers to-day have made special note of the absence of Mr. Wilbur, the Navy Secretary, from the banquet given on the occasion of Rear-Admiral Plunkett's retirement owing to age.

Mr. Wilbur excused himself on the plea that he had to appear before the House of Representatives Naval Committee, but the New York Times says that Mr. Wilbur told Colonel Simmons, the President of the American Marine Association, that he was unable to attend because he would appear to be endorsing Admiral Plunkett's recent jingo speech.

Reuter's American Service.

MEETING HELD BY WIRELESS.

LONDON-NEW YORK GENERAL CONVERSATION.

MIGHT BE SAME ROOM.

London, Feb. 16.

The remarkable adaptability of long-distance wireless telephony was demonstrated in a wonderful manner to-day, an engineering meeting being held at which one half the participants sat in London and the other half in New York.

The special arrangements of microphones and loud-speakers, which were linked up with the ordinary Transatlantic telephone service, enabled the British Institution of Electrical Engineering and the equivalent institution in America to hold a joint meeting.

Speeches were made by both sides, and conversation went on as though both parties were in the same room.

The demonstration was a great success, and marks another big stride in wireless development.—Reuter.

RUSSIA'S SWEEPING SUGGESTIONS.

TO BE DISCUSSED NEXT MONTH.

Geneva, Feb. 16.

The disarmament proposals put forward by the Soviet in November last, will be examined by the meeting of the Preparatory Disarmament Commission, which will sit on March 15th.

The Commission will also discuss the work of the Arbitration Security Committee.—Reuter.

At the last meeting, M. Litvinoff made sweeping suggestions, including the general abolition of all the land, marine, and air forces of the world. Alternatively, he suggested a gradual process of absolute disarmament, to become effective in four years' time. He asserted that there had been no progress towards disarmament among the nations.

WUHU BANS AGITATION.

Wuhu, Feb. 16.

A proclamation forbidding political and Union meetings has been issued here.—Naval Wireless.

BRITISH POSITION UNIQUE.

PLAYED HER PART TO THE FULL.

OUR DISARMAMENT ALREADY COMPLETE.

CANNOT RUN RISKS.

London, Feb. 16.

Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, the First Lord of Admiralty, speaking in London, on the British Navy, said it was totally untrue that the Government had not done their part towards general disarmament since the War.

Britain had played her part to the full.

"We have to remember," he said, "what our obligations are towards our country and to the Empire, and to make quite certain we do not run the risk of any drastic reductions, unless other countries in a different position from ourselves, do something in return."

Free Access to Seas.

"We stand in a position totally different from that of every other country, and we cannot admit we are in the same position as any other country, for we cannot run the risk of losing that power which gives us free access to the seven seas."

He did not believe that a weak British Navy would contribute to the peace of the world.

Our Proposal Originally.

Dealing with the American desire to scrap submarines, Mr. Bridgeman said that was a British Government proposal at the Washington Conference and they still stood by that suggestion. "We should be glad if the submarine could be abolished, but other weaker and poorer countries, regarded the submarine as their only means of defence, and we had to take into consideration that fact."

Lord Cusden emphasized, in the House of Lords on Wednesday, that his main difficulty in discussing disarmament at Geneva arose out of the zeal and haste with which Britain had voluntarily carried out disarmament.

He felt that if, regardless of economy, Britain had kept all her armaments until she could have used them for bargaining purposes, Britain would have been in a tremendously strong position, and could have created the greatest sensation by announcing her decision to carry out such disarmament at once as she had already done by degrees.

Abolishing the Submarine.

London, Feb. 16.

Britain's attitude with regard to the proposed abolition of submarines, was voiced by Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, the First Lord of Admiralty, at a meeting of the Constitutional Club to-day.

"Our position to-day is exactly the same as in 1924 at the Washington Conference," said Mr. Bridgeman, "continuing that Britain would be glad if some means could be devised of abolishing submarines."

The weaker countries, he pointed out, regard submarines as their only real defensive weapon and the greater Powers had to take their views into consideration.—Reuter.

ARBITRATION PACT OF INTEREST.

TEXT OF GERMAN TREATY WITH LITHUANIA.

Berlin, Feb. 16.

The text of the Arbitration Treaty between Germany and Lithuania, signed on January 29, lays down that the signatories shall submit to the Hague Arbitration Court, or to a special Court of Arbitration, all differences which cannot be settled through the normal diplomatic channels.

The treaty also applies to all disputes involving other Powers. The Treaty will remain in force for ten years and will be automatically extended for a further term of five years, unless either party gives three months' notice in denunciation.—Reuter.

LIBEL DAMAGES CLAIMED.

MR. HAYNES APPEARS AS PLAINTIFF.

OBJECTION TO WRIT.

An action in which Mr. L. E. Haynes is claiming \$1,000 from Mr. C. W. C. Burnett for alleged libel was mentioned at the usual Friday morning sitting for the fixing of cases in the Summary Court to-day.

The plaintiff was present in person, the defendant being represented by Mr. A. el Arculli.

Mr. Arculli said he objected to the writ in the form in which it was drawn, and referred His Lordship to Order 3, Rule 9, of the White Book. It would be seen, he said, that full particulars must be given in an action for libel. In this case, no particulars were given.

His Lordship said he would make an order for particulars.

Writ Not Bad.

Mr. Justice Wood disagreed when Mr. Arculli suggested that the writ was bad.

Mr. Arculli:—With all respect, according to Order 3, Rule 9, it is imperative for particulars to be given.

His Lordship:—I think Section 19 of the Summary Jurisdiction Ordinance covers it.

Mr. Arculli:—Section 14 of the same Ordinance says full particulars must be given.

After looking up the point, his Lordship said he would order particulars.

No Costs.

Mr. Arculli:—With costs?

His Lordship:—No. Particulars to be given in one week.

Mr. Justice Wood told Mr. Haynes that full particulars must be given in writing.

Mr. Arculli:—That is no bar to my asking for pleadings. I submit that I am entitled to costs. Because a person chooses to act as a lay lawyer, there is no reason why my client should be embarrassed.

Right to Appear.

His Lordship:—Everyone has a right to appear here and conduct his own proceedings.

Mr. Arculli:—That is quite true, but certain rules have to be observed.

His Lordship:—Mr. Haynes is acting just as any other plaintiff.

Mr. Arculli:—I shall ask for pleadings with particulars.

His Lordship:—At present the matter stands adjourned for one week, with an order for particulars against plaintiff.

CHIANG AND FENG.

SECOND MEETING TO TAKE PLACE.

Shanghai, Feb. 17.

A telegram received from Hsueh-chow states that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek left for Kai-feng yesterday morning to meet Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang for the purpose of conferring on the Northern expedition. Chiang will inspect the armies en route and be met by the "Christian" General in Lanfeng, where the latter is to give Chiang welcome.

The Honan Provincial Kuomintang Headquarters and other public organisations in Kaifeng are also preparing a big mass meeting to welcome the Nationalist Commander-in-Chief.

This will be the second time in which Chiang and Feng have met, the first occasion being in Hsueh-chow, when an understanding was reached.

Mr. Wang Fu, the new Foreign Minister, arrived at Nanking yesterday afternoon, being welcomed at the railway station by General Li Lieh-chun and Mr. Wang Pei-chun, the acting Minister of Reconstruction.—Nem Chung Pao.

TURKEY'S ARCOS HOUSE.

CLOSING DOWN VERY SHORTLY.

Constantinople, Feb. 16.

For "economic reasons," the Soviet Arcos House is to be closed down shortly, the continuance of business being left to the trade delegation.—Reuter.

MUTILATED NOTE JUDGMENT.

THE PRIVY COUNCIL'S DECISION.

FULL TEXT RECEIVED IN HONGKONG.

BANK APPEAL FAILS.

The full text of the judgment by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in the appeal by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation concerning the mutilated bank-note case is now to hand.

As briefly reported by cable at the time, the Committee, consisting of Lord Buckmaster, Lord Blanesburgh and Lord Darling on January 19th dismissed the appeal by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation from a judgment of the Supreme Court of Hongkong relating to the liability of the appellants to pay one of its banknotes which had been accidentally mutilated and partly destroyed.

Mr. Jowitt, K.C., and Mr. J. Forster appeared for the appellants; the respondent (Lo Lee-shi) was not represented.

The Judgment.

Lord Buckmaster, in delivering their Lordships' judgment, said:—Their Lordships, notice with approval that this case has been brought before them for consideration within 12 months of its first hearing before the Puisne Judge in Hongkong. They wish that this example of expedition was widely known and imitated. The point that arises for decision is singularly free from authority, but fortunately, the facts are beyond dispute.

The appellants are the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, who carry on the business of banking in Hongkong. In the course of their business they issue banknotes for various sums; such notes are not legal currency but, owing to the high credit of the appellants, they are used as if they were.

The bank is under liability to the Government of Hongkong to deposit dollars as against all notes issued over a certain amount and a tax is payable at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the value of notes in circulation. Apart from these conditions, which it may be assumed would apply to every bank in Hongkong, the appellants have no special relationship with the Government at all. The notes they issue are in the ordinary form of a banknote.

"Agglutinated Fragments."

Lo Lee-shi, who is the respondent in this appeal, was given by her husband two of such notes, each for 500 dollars. She placed them in the pocket of some garment and then, having forgotten their hiding-place, she washed, dried and starched the garment and was proceeding to iron it when she found a wad of paper in the pocket. This proved to be the remains of the two banknotes which, together with the coat, had been subjected to all the above processes.

Considerable effort was made, with the help of the bank, to restore these agglutinated fragments to their original shape and, as to one note, this met with complete success and the note was accordingly paid. The full restoration of the other was more difficult, with the utmost skill the number could not be recovered. Apart from this, a very considerable portion of the note was replaced and its most critical characteristics were made plain—the name of the bank, the amount of the note, the definite promise to pay the "Bearer" on demand at the appellants' office, and the signatures by the chief accountant and the chief manager were all clearly and definitely evidenced. The bank, however, refused payment, mainly upon the ground that the number was missing, and Lo Lee-shi accordingly brought an action against them upon the note.

The Point At Issue.

The Judge on the trial of the action found in favour of the plaintiff. On appeal to the full Court the Judges were divided.

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CABLE COMPANIES COMPETITION.

PRESSURE TO PREVENT AN AMALGAMATION?

TREASURY THINKING.

London, Feb. 16.

The question of the amalgamation of telegraph companies was raised in the House of Commons to-day by Commr. C. Bellairs, who asked Mr. Winston Churchill, whether in view of the trading and Empire interests involved in the competition between telegraph companies, the Treasury would exercise similar pressure to prevent the amalgamation of the companies as they had done in the case of the large banks of the Empire.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in reply, said that the subject was now being comprehensively reviewed, and he was not in a position to make a statement in regard to the matter.

Commander Bellairs then asked Mr. Churchill if he would bear in mind the fear of the public that the action of the Government concerned might be determined by the ownership of the Pacific cable. "That is the danger we want to avoid," he added.

Mr. Churchill replied that the most careful attention was being given to the matter in all its bearings.—Reuter.

SHIPPING BOARD VESSELS.

FOUR FIRMS BID FOR PACIFIC LINES.

KEEN COMPETITION.

Washington, Feb. 16.

Four bids were received by the Shipping Board for the Government's three Pacific lines, it was disclosed to-day when the bids were handed to the Merchant Fleet Corporation for investigation.

The Matson Navigation Company and the American Hawaiian Steamship Company, bidding jointly for a corporation to be formed, offered \$1,981,755 for the 21 ships of the American Australia Orient Line.

The eastern division of the Admiral Oriental Line, owned by the Dollar interests, bid \$970,357 for the seven ships of the American Oriental Mail.

The Tacoma Oriental Steamship Company, which will be organized in the event its bid is accepted, offered \$696,906 for the American Oriental Mail, which was \$25,649 higher than the bid of the Admiral Oriental Line.

A company to be organized by Mr. K. D. Dawson, of Portland, offered \$1,065,000 for the Oregon Oriental Line.—Associated Press.

Bid Accepted.

The Hongkong office of the Columbia Shipping Company advises us of the receipt of a cable intimating that the Shipping Board has accepted the Company's tender for the eleven vessels now operating on the Oregon Oriental Line. Presumably this was the bid made by Mr. K. D. Dawson, who is vice-president of the Columbia Shipping Company.

FRENCH WAR-TIME MEASURES.

PARLIAMENTARIANS SHALL STAY AT HOME.

Paris, Feb. 16.

The Senate, discussing the Bill for the organisation of the country in war-time, resolved to exclude women from the general requisitioning of services in war-time, it being considered that women volunteers would suffice. It was also decided that the place for parliamentarians in war-time was Parliament, and not at the front. The chamber discussion gave parliamentarians the right to serve in the army if desired.—Reuter.

SOVIET APPOINTMENT.

Moscow, Feb. 16.

M. Nicholas Kubiak, Chairman of the Central Co-operative Council, has been appointed People's Commissary of Agriculture in place of M. Alexander Smirnov.—Reuter.

THE LATE EARL OF OXFORD.

WONDERFUL TRIBUTES IN PARLIAMENT.

LIFE COMPARED TO PLACID CALM OF THAMES.

FRAGRANT MEMORY.

London, Feb. 16.

The leaders of all parties in both Houses of Parliament paid tribute to the late Earl of Oxford and Asquith, the veteran Liberal statesman, in the House of Commons, said Lord Oxford was essentially a House of Commons man, and was, perhaps, one of the greatest Parliamentarians of the last century.

He was a scholar steeped in classical tradition. His speeches were literature. There was no meretricious adornment; not one excessive word. His argument was closely reasoned and logical, and his whole speech compact together as it had been filed in the brain of a master.

His judgment, helped by his temperament, which was essentially judicial, was rarely at fault.

Mr. Baldwin thought that few leaders in the House of Commons had made fewer mistakes in judgment than either of his party or of the House.

Integrity Unassailable.

He maintained poise in all matters connected with the House. Nothing upset him; nothing ruffled him. His personal integrity was unassailable. His loyalty whether to those whom he served, or to those who served him, never failed.

It was loyalty deep-seated, built in his character, that wrought no evil and thought no evil.

His was a nature, large and magnanimous, which never harboured a mean thought. He was always ready to let others have the credit, while being always ready to take on his shoulders the blame belonging to others.

Fragrant Memory.

Referring to the bitter controversies in the years immediately preceding the War, Mr. Baldwin declared he could remember no instance in which the dead statesman spoke words that were false, or words that could wound. Throughout his life Lord Oxford conferred distinction on the public life of this country.

Mr. Baldwin concluded, "May it be our lot to leave behind as fragrant a memory as that of Lord Oxford."

Humour and Stolidism.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Labour leader, associated himself with the Premier's tribute. He said Lord Oxford was a party leader who, even in his most stressful moments, never used weapons that were not honourable, or made appeals which were cheap or base. His death snapped a link that bound this generation to the past. He was a cultured gentleman and a man of the world looking upon men with humour, toleration and stolidism.

Lord Lloyd George said that while Lord Oxford during the last three years had been a member of the Upper Chamber, he would always be remembered as Mr. Asquith. He was essentially a House of Commons man. It was generally recognised that no more perfect or finished debater had ever taken part in the discussions of the House of Commons.

Essentially Judicial.

He always gave the impression not of an advocate pleading a cause with earnestness and passion, but of a judge summing up facts, and delivering judgment.

Temperamentally, and as far as mental equipment was concerned, he was essentially judicial.

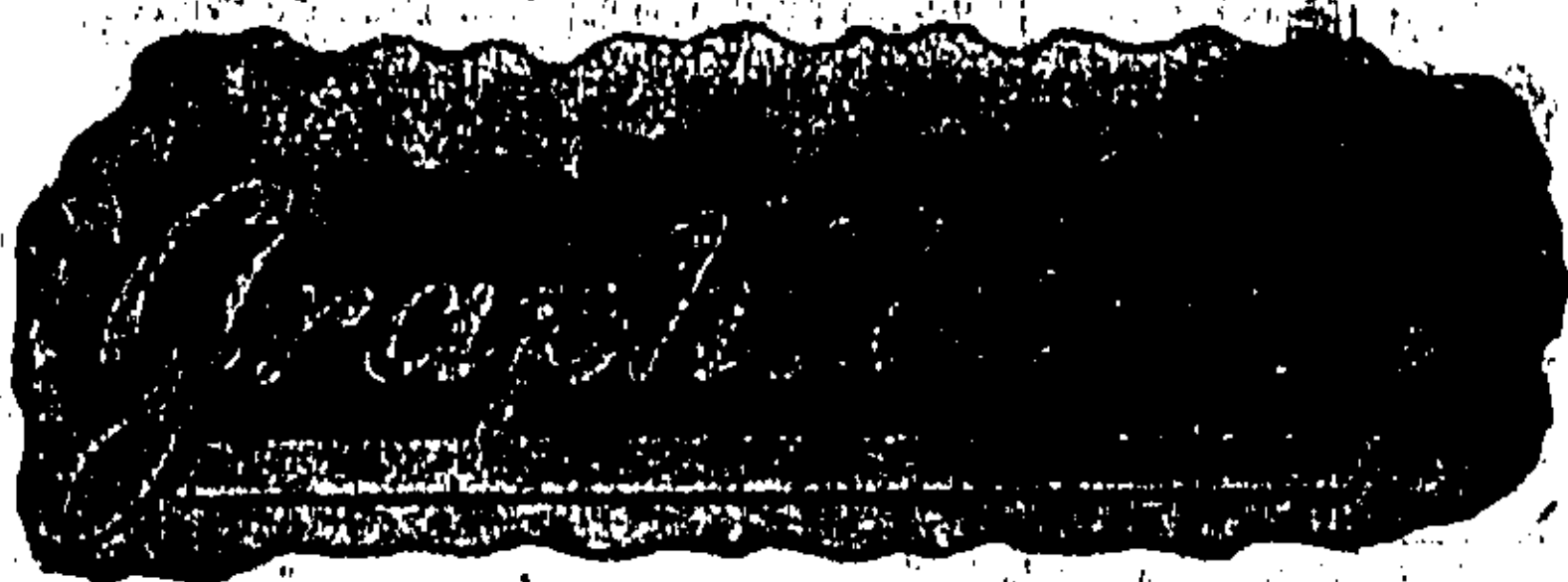
Mr. Lloyd George concluded, "He died on the banks of the Thames. His life was similar to the river, a placid calm, moving with a steady flow, never hoisterous or turbulent, even in the very worst weather. He has passed into history, and will fill his place there with impressive distinction."

Tremendous Position in History.

In the House of Lords, the Marquess of Salisbury, the Conservative leader said Lord Oxford as a great party leader, statesman, and administrator, would hold a tremendous position in history.

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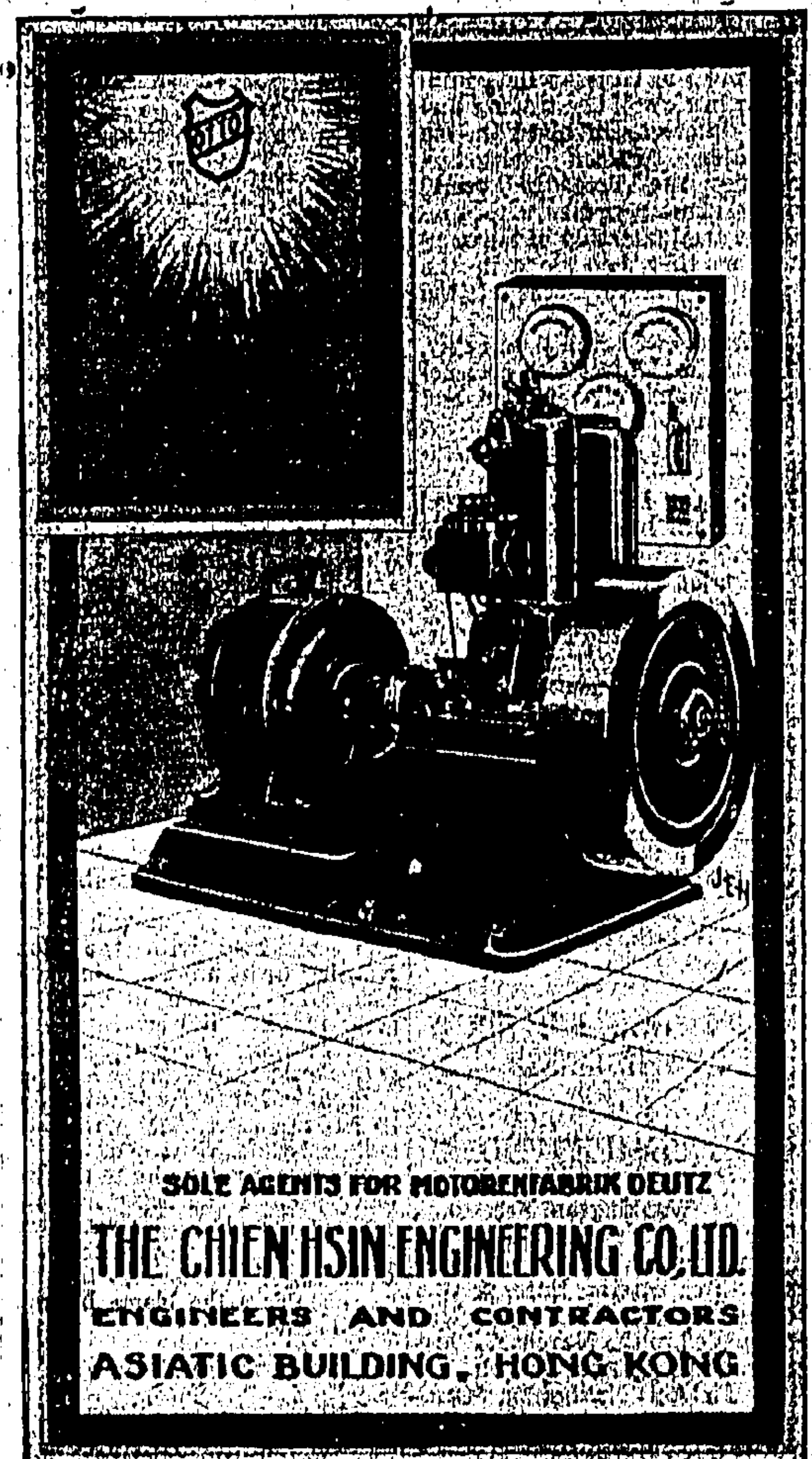


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THRICE ARRESTED.

**VILLAGERS CHARGED WITH
ATTEMPTED MURDER.**

Two men from Tungloon Village of Song, Un, who are wanted by the Canton authorities on charges of robbery, attempted murder, and kidnapping, yesterday appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell in proceedings instituted for their extradition.

For the benefit of Mr. F. H. Loeb, who had received instructions to appear for the defence in the place of Mr. C. A. S. Russ, who was indisposed, the Magistrate recounted briefly the history of the case. This was that the two fugitives were arrested in September without any warrant at all, and detained. That they should have been thus detained for a long time, was a matter which was outside of the province of the Court, but Mr. Lindell went on to say that about a month ago on sworn information, he, as Magistrate, issued a provisional warrant for their arrest, this being a formality as the fugitives were then still in gaol. He then received an order from the Governor requiring that a proper warrant be issued, but this warrant proved to be useless as it was found that the man who was supposed to be the victim on the murder charge cited in the warrant, was alive and would be giving the principal evidence for the Crown. The position then had to be readjusted, and the final order regularising the proceedings was issued on the 9th of this month. The fugitives were brought out of gaol and for the third time were formally arrested and the new and amended charge read to them.

Mr. Loeb after duly noting the position, said that his cross-examination would be concerned with the fact of the fugitives' arrest and their long detention in the first instance without any warrant.

Arrests Described.

Evidence heard yesterday was given by yet another villager, who said he was present at the arrest of the two fugitives Un Kin and Un Fat at Des Voeux Road, West. On September 18 last, he took the Chinese detective to this part of the town, and pointed out the fugitives who were walking along in Des Voeux Road. One was arrested by the detective, but the other ran up the stairs of House No. 338.

Detective Inspector Wong Lau deposed that he followed the escaping fugitive up to the roof of the house and arrested him as he was crouching behind a chimney stack.

At the conclusion of the evidence for the Crown, his Worship said the only charge with which the Court was now concerned, and on which only, the fugitives could be extradited, was that of attempted murder of the Village Volunteer Chief, on that new order of the Governor.

The Official Seal.

His Worship further required the production and formal proving of the official seal of the Canton authorities in connexion with the requisition which had now been received from Canton. He also alluded to the necessity of the Chinese representative being present in the case.

The case was then adjourned until this afternoon.

Evidence given at previous hearings was to the effect that the two fugitives are charged with the attempted murder by shooting of the Chief of the man tuen, or People's Volunteers of Song On Village. In their statements, the accused men allege that the Volunteer Chief used his Official position to extort money from landholders in the village, an allegation which is denied by the witness concerned.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL.

"EQUALITY OF THE SEXES."

The annual distribution of prizes of St. Mary's School (Catholic Institute) took place yesterday in the school premises in Chatham Road and was attended in large numbers by the parents of students and by others interested in educational matters.

Lady Tyrwhitt, wife of Admiral Sir. Reginald Tyrwhitt, K.C.B., D.S.O., graced the occasion by her presence and gave away the prizes to those who were successful in their studies during the past year. The Rt. Rev. Bishop Valorta was also present.

The distribution of prizes was preceded by musical items and an operetta performed by the pupils of the school entitled "The White Fairy." The children showed wonderful technique in the musical items and the operetta would have done credit to a company of adults.

Prior to asking Lady Tyrwhitt to distribute the prizes the Reverend Father Byrne, S.J., spoke of the high quality of the play which the children presented and said that those who have been to many prize givings, in both boy and girl schools, must have been struck by the polish, dexterity and finish displayed by the girls of St. Mary's School. He said that he had been requested by the Mother Superior of the School to thank the Rt. Rev. Bishop for honouring the function with his presence and he also thanked Lady Tyrwhitt for kindly consenting to distribute the prizes. He said he had also been asked to read the school report by the Headmistress, but before doing so, he addressed the gathering, saying in part:

A school must be judged by its true educational value for the community whose interests it serves. And so a girl's school is efficient if it is preparing the girl of to-day to be the ideal woman of tomorrow. It is all the more necessary to keep this in mind because of the modern movement, unhappily called a 'feminist' movement, away from hitherto recognised standards of conduct towards ideals which have always been considered masculine. The movement has its catchwords: "Women in Transition," "The Equality of the Sexes." It constitutes the most insidious attacks that has so far been made on Christian ideals. A home with two fathers would be very different from the old-fashioned home with a father and a mother. God's plan could not be fulfilled if uniformity of training and uniformity of conduct were sought in lives which He especially made male and female; that they might complete, not replace, each other.

The Foundress.

The Foundress of the Institute, the Marchioness of Canossa left very big prospects in the world in order to found this Institute. She was not a "feminist." She had that instinct for truth which is characteristic of the Saints. She was a woman, called by God to guide and instruct women. She realised what the world will one day sadly realise; if it perseveres in its present whim, that the effort to produce in woman the mind of a man and the heart of a man would produce a race of women who would be unattractive caricatures, perpetuating the vices of man without the adornment of any of the virile qualities which were not meant to be theirs. Her task was to labour for the perfection of her own sex. Here was an endless field, as endless in its grade as the perfection of man in his. Herein also was to be found the true "Equality of the Sexes." Man and woman are equally called to perfection, but neither can attain perfection except by the fulfilment of God's plan.

The real worth of St. Mary's school is that it is true to these ideals. To see them at work one would have to visit the school frequently to catch its tone and to realise its atmosphere. He would then easily understand why such a school has a growing school-roll. It is because parents realise that whilst instructional education is

COTTON DISPUTE.

**REOPENING DISCUSSIONS
WITH OPERATIVES.**

LONDON, Feb. 16. One of the leading members of the Cotton Spinners' Federation replying to the criticisms against the committee's decision which does not affect the spinners of Egyptian cotton in districts other than Bolton, nor the spinners of American cotton belonging to the Bolton Association, is quoted by the Manchester Guardian as saying that the procedure is not to be taken too seriously, as "it merely aims at re-opening the discussions with the operatives."—Reuter.

necessary, and is very efficient in this school, yet what the child is in character is far more important than what the child may happen to know. The Sisters, belonging to a Religious Congregation, are following a system of education which is thorough, because it is Catholic. It is equally suited to all countries. Further Byrne then read the School report.

The Prize-Winners.

Lady Tyrwhitt then gave away the prizes as follows:

The Bishop's Prize for Biblical Knowledge, Betty Remedios. Lugard Scholarship for the year 1928-29, Edriz d'Aquino.

Dr. A. S. Gomes Scholarship for Regular Attendance.

Class 1, Carmen Silva.
Class 2, Cynthia Alves.
Class 3, Mina Danenberg.
Class 4, Carmen Pereira.
Class 5, Constance Gomes.
Class 6, Violet Wong.
Class 7, Mary Wong.

Senior Local Certificates and Prizes.

First Prize, Carmen Silva.
Second Prize, Regina Ribeiro.
Certificates, Mercedes da Roza, Dulce d'Aquino, Julia Yau.

Junior Local Certificates and Prizes.

First Prize, Bella Pestonji (Dist. Arithmetic and Biblical Knowledge).

First Prize, Cynthia Alves (Dist. History and Biblical Knowledge).

Second Prize, Wilhelmina Wong (Dist. Biblical Knowledge).

Certificates, Deolinda Gosano (Dist. Biblical Knowledge).

Certificates, Betty Remedios (Dist. Biblical Knowledge).

Certificates, Carmen Ribeiro, Olga Eca da Silva.

Certificates, Ines Savard Remedios, Alda Britto.

Certificates, Sara Remedios, Elvira Rosario, Alda Ng.

Class 3, Edriz d'Aquino (1st Prize), Mina Danenberg (2nd Prize), Rosario Fernandez, Joaquina Fernandez.

Class 4, Pureza da Eca (1st Prize), Ahmina Abdulla (2nd Prize), Joyce Kor.

Class 5, Maria Matos (1st Prize), Gloria d'Almada (2nd Prize), Betty Sousa, Ena Alves, Norah Gill.

Class 6, Palmyra Yvanovich (1st Prize), Violet Wong (2nd Prize), Betty Pestonji, Betty Rodrigues, Hilda Guan.

Class 7, Maria Wong (1st Prize), Betty Passos (2nd Prize), Georgina Fernandez, Geraldina Roza, Thelma Goncalves, Avelina Gosano.

Class 8, Filomena Goncalves and Annie Ng (1st Prize), Maria Britto (2nd Prize), Dorothy Jan, Mabel Ng, Lily Chiu.

Infant Classes, Mina Kor, Norma Goncalves, Nidia Osmund, Milde Osmund, Leonor Goncalves, Elsa Gutierrez, Betty Ng, Thelma Tavares, Virginia Hildeonso, Gloria Gomes, Elfrida Ribeiro, Melvi Campos, Carrie Alves, Delphina Jose.

Music, Deolinda Gosano, Betty Cullen, Avelina Gosano.

Portuguese, The Socorro Mueles Junior Scholarship, Sara Remedios, Teresa Goncalves, Pureza da Eca, Maria Matos, Filomena Goncalves, Elsa Silva, and Carmen Rosario.

A speech of thanks was then made by one of the pupils of the school following which Lady Tyrwhitt was presented with a bouquet of roses.



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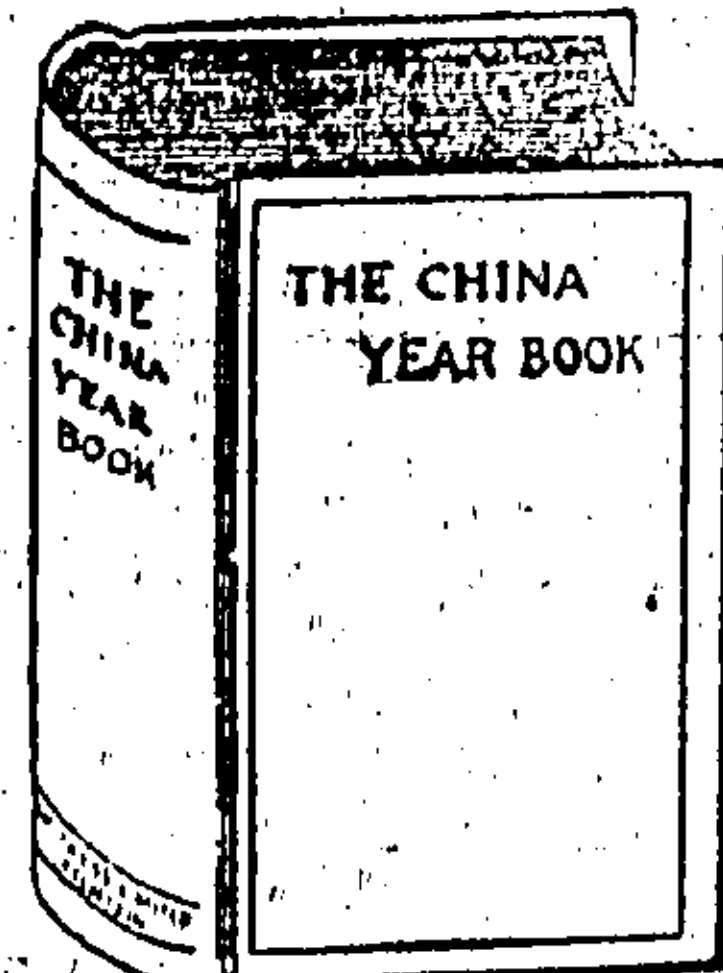
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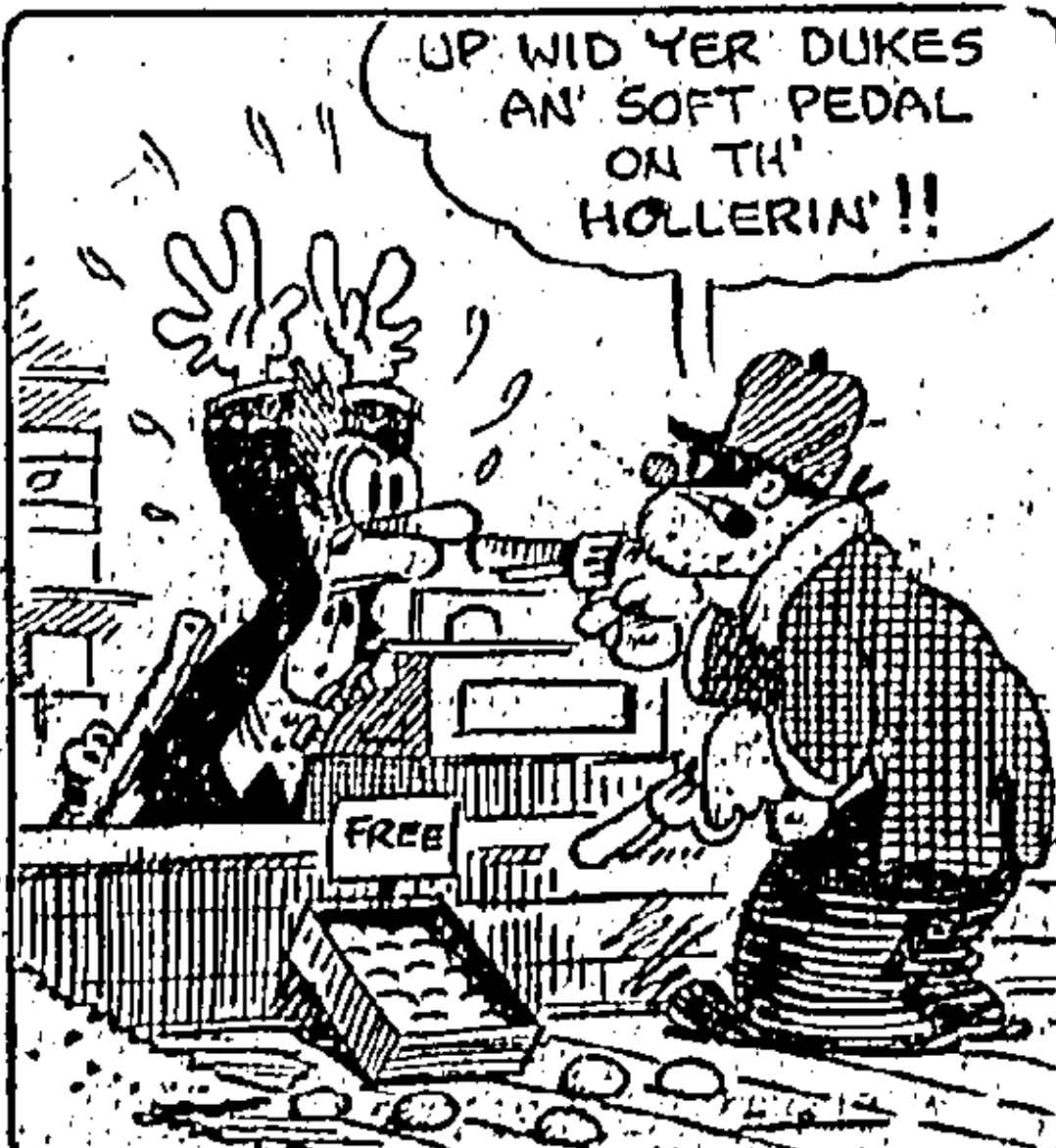
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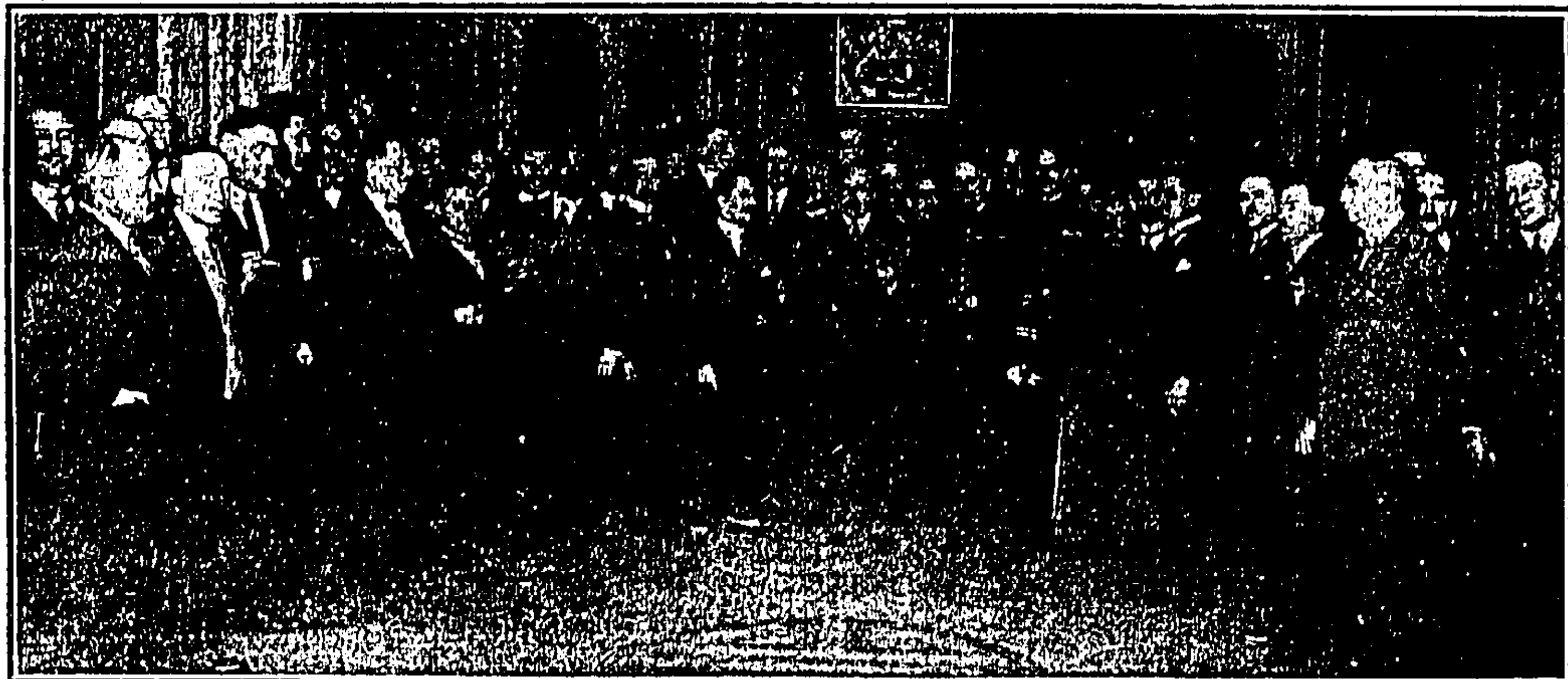
By Small



Those who had no daughters, "borrowed" them on the occasion of the American Association of University Women's Mother and Daughter banquet in Shanghai recently.



Captain Victor Bloasdale, a gallant U. S. Marine, resting with a few of his men after a brief engagement in Nicaragua.



Group taken at the French Consulate-General at the reception in honour of Count D. de Martel, French Minister to Peking. Members of the French community and their friends were present to meet the distinguished visitor.



Mr. Harry Cordell, one of the men principally concerned in the Oklahoma impeachment sensation.



The funeral of Lieut. Commr. R. K. Jones, and Lieut. J. McGinley, lost in the S-4 disaster. The caskets are accompanied by a guard of honour formed by officers.



A machine-gun crew practicing before leaving for Nicaragua. Inset is Brig. Gen. Logan Feland, who is to command the new forces.



Colonel Louis M. Gulick, in command of the U. S. Marine at Managua. He directed the fighting in which so many Nicaraguans were killed.



Group taken in Shanghai of the annual dance held by the employees of the Shanghai Mutual Telephone Company, when Mr. P. H. Cole, general manager, and engineer-in-chief was presented with an illuminated address. Mr. C. M. Bain made the presentation.

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"The Prospects of Commercial Aviation in the Far East."

Members of the public are cordially invited to attend.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday 25th February 1928 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at 12 o'clock noon on Monday, 20th February, 1928.

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The closing day and Distribution of Prizes will take place on Saturday First, 18th February, at 3 p.m.

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By Order,
J. R. L. STANTON,
Hon. Sec. Sailing Committee.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 25th February, 1928, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1927.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday the 13th February to Saturday the 25th February, 1928 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Court of Directors
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 6th Feb. 1928.

G. R.

Particulars and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 20th day of February, 1928, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

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Saturday, 3rd March, 1928.
Entry forms to be returned to Dr. F. Pierce, Grove, Alexandra Building, BEFORE NOON Monday, 20th Feb.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1928

13th, 14th, 15th & 18th February.

The first Race on each day will be run at 12 o'clock noon. The first bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. each day.

MEMBERS' BADGES.

Members' Badges of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those members who have not already received them, from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Members are reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the Extra Race Meetings of this year.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of introducing two non-members to the Members' Enclosure.

A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before Saturday, 11th February, 1928 at a cost of \$10 each per day or \$30 for the Meeting.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$4 per day. Each member can obtain upon application to the Secretary, badges for the admission of two Ladies free of charge.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first three days of racing.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure, price \$3 per day for all persons including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd. or at the Gate.

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By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 15th February, to TUESDAY, 28th February, 1928, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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DISPOSITION OF NATIONALIST ARMIES.

Shasi, Feb. 16.

Fighting is now taking place below here between the 8th, 35th and 36th Hunanese Armies, commanded by General Ho Chen, and Lo Ting's 2nd Army. The latter is allied to the Wuhan party, which is not favourably disposed to Nanking.

The disposition of the four units of the Nationalist Army is said to be as follows:

1st Army in Nanking, under Chiang Kai-shek.

2nd Army in Honan, under Fenz Yu-hsiang.

3rd Army in Shansi under Yen Hsi-shan.

4th Army at Wuhan, under Tan Yen-kai.—Naval Wireless.

MORE FINE WEATHER.

To-day's Observatory report states:—A depression has formed to the east of Tokyo. The anticyclone has strengthened slightly. Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected along the south-east coast of China and over the China Sea.

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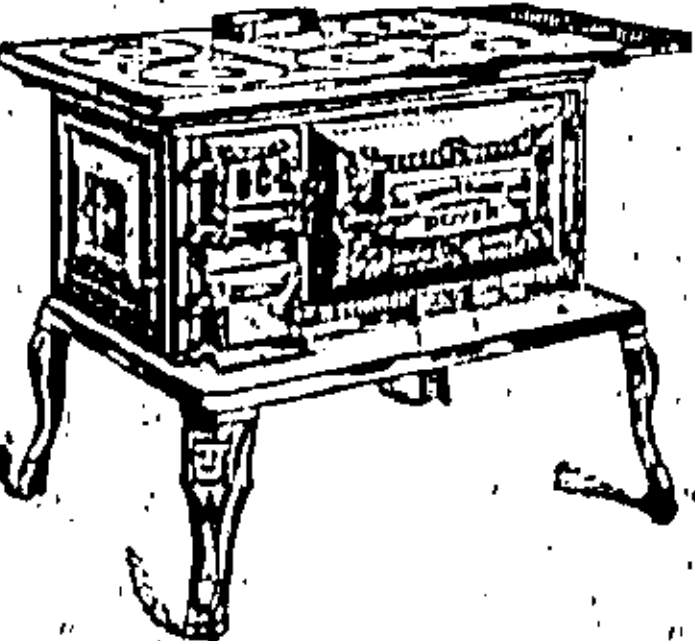
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"TELEGRAPH" FILES.The following items are from
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week ended February 16th, 1907.The rate of the dollar on de-
mand was 2s. 2.13/16d.The Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd., an-
nounced a final dividend of \$18
per share, making \$22 for the year.At the half-yearly meeting of
the Hongkong, Canton and Macao
Steamboat Co., Ltd., it was an-
nounced that the Company's claim
for consequential loss against the
Chinese Government for the acts
of piracy committed on the S.S.
Saimam had been rejected by the
British Foreign Office.It was announced that Sir Ro-
bert Hart, chief of the Chinese
Customs, would not be likely to
return to China from leave, owing
to the position in which he had
been placed by the appointment
of two Chinese Commissioners
over him.H. E. Sir Matthew Nathan visit-
ed the Hongkong Chinese New
Year's Fair, where he purchased
two mechanical boats and gave to
a small poverty-stricken Chinese
boy.The M. M. Steamer Laos, Rich-
faden, from Indo-China, was
totally wrecked off Saint Mair, the
crew being saved.

CLASSICAL MUSIC.

ROBERT AND ANATOLE
KITAIN.Lovers of really good music will
be pleased to learn that a recital
is to be given in the Star Theatre
on Thursday, February 23, by the
talented brothers, Robert and
Anatole Kitain, violinist and
pianist, who are visiting the
Colony in the course of a tour of
the world. These two young men
are the sons of the famous
Petrograd professor, Michael
Kitain, who died in 1915, and both
are graduates of the Petrograd
Conservatory. Mr. Robert Kitain
was for some time under the
famous Professor Auer, and also
under teachers with whom
Heifetz identified himself in the
earlier days of his musical career.Mr. Anatole Kitain was a pupil
of Professor Blumenfeld and has
also studied under the prominent
composer Rachmaninoff. On the
death of their father, the young
artists were placed, for further
tuition in their respective arts,
under the care of the well-known
composer A. Glazunoff, and later,
they began their musical careers
in Petrograd and Moscow. In 1925
they made their last tour of
Russia, giving almost 200 concerts,
after which they spent some time
in Siberia.The artists are now touring the
world, and after visiting Hong-
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skill of the directing. The leading
players, Ronald Colman and Vilma
Banky, are both very popular in
Hongkong, and the supporting cast
is a capable one. Altogether "The
Magic Flame" is a film that is
thoroughly well worth seeing. It
will be screened at the Queen's
Theatre again to-day and to-morrow.

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Women's desire for slimness is
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a decrease of nearly 6,000,000 cwts.
in the imports of refined sugar and
sugar-candy last year to "changes
in the fashionable demand" which
have "resulted in a greatly de-
creased turnover among those en-
gaged in the chocolate and confection-
ery branches."There is concern at hotels and
restaurants, not only because
women are passing by the sweet
things, but also because they are
refusing all manner of dishes which
they used to delight in.

No to Everything.

One London maitre d'hotel said:
"To-day women shake their heads
at almost every dish one can men-
tion—all are declined because of a
fear that they are 'fattening.'"They will not eat potatoes; they
will not touch soup; they shudder
at cream; they despise bread; they
 recoil from oil in all form; they ac-
cept a morsel of meat with an air
of making a concession.A chef at the Trocadero Res-
taurant said that most women no-
wadays tolerated sugar merely as a
sweetening agent. He added:They generally shun rich pastries
and sweets in which jam or choco-
late or cream is used, and choose
fruit dishes instead. They eat
more fresh fruit, such as peaches
and grapes, pineapple served with
the juicy part of orange, and bana-
nas with lemon juice.

Guaranteed not to Fatten.

There are, however, it appears,
sweets that do not fatten, and of
these M. Francois Luty, chef of
the Savoy Restaurant, said:There are 50 per cent. more
sweets to-day than there were ten
years ago, and recently there have
been created some sweets that are
definitely guaranteed not to fatten
in any way. Delicacies made with
whites of egg are among those most
favoured—these and the sweets
made with fresh fruit.

Masculine Note.

THE NEW SHIRT FRONT.

A detail of masculine attire
which is being adapted in an in-
creasing manner to woman's dress
is the shirt-front. This is a new

Very Artistic.

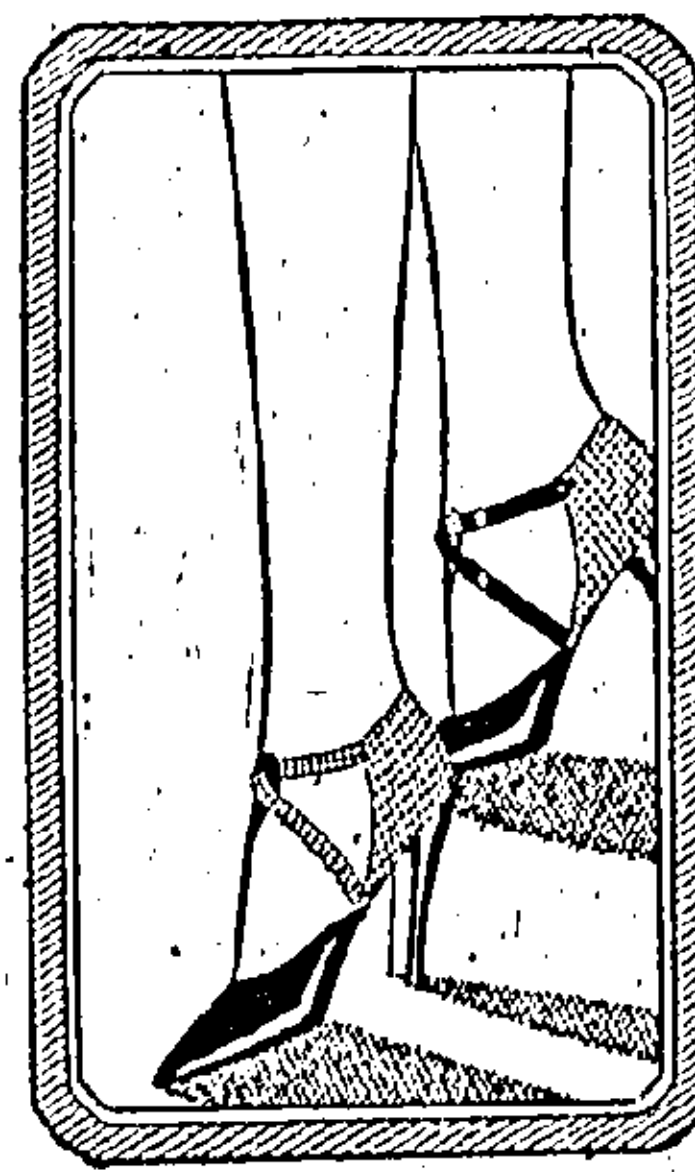
An effective costume of
pleated navy blue maroon and
an intricately embroidered
collarless and fasten-less
coat. Rich colours, with a
scroll of the new white, with
the tiniest of French nude in it,
and a white satin blouse with a
neckline of blue and white
rolled cords of silk.and exceedingly smart design used
in over-blouses, sports shirts, and
the simpler frocks.Some of these frocks are finely
pleated in the same material.
Some are ornamental with needle-
work. The very latest is the front
shaped precisely like that in a man's
shirt.These are very cleverly done,
very delicate and graceful,
especially on the white and light-
coloured crepes brought out for
wear on the fashionable resorts on
the Riviera.In soft little frocks, especially
two piece suits, consisting of a
kilted skirt and over-blouse, print-
ed "frocks" give a bit of "snap"
that suggests the tailleur, and they
have "taken" like mad.The prettiest suits are those in
scarlet, with a pattern done in
colour, giving, at a distance, the
effect of hand-embroidery, cross-
stitch, or etching.

New Accessories.

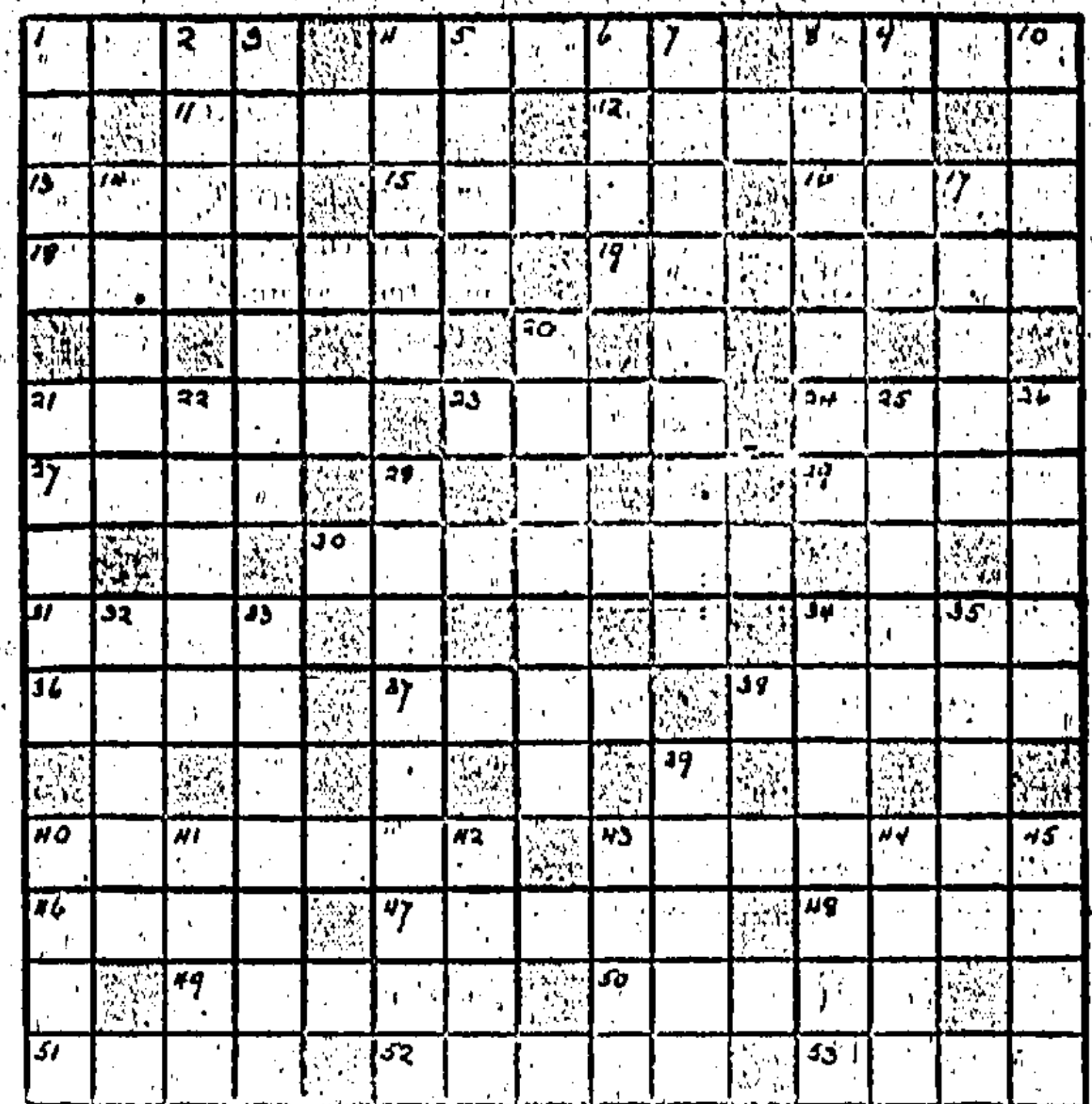
IDEAS FOR THE WARDROBE.

Evening headresses seem to be
gaining in popularity. One of
dull gold lace was arranged with
a wired coroneted effect in front,
finished over each ear with a
swinging piece of matching lace.
Black net, decorated with all sorts
of fanciful diamante embroide-
ries with swathed white velvet
and glittering paste designs. It
is amusing to discover that
amongst young wearers, wreaths
have returned to favour, but
to show their superiority to the
old-fashioned designs, they are
now made of china.There is a fad amongst smart
women for the wearing of severely
tailored short lame coats, with
several unattached linings of
brilliant contrasted chiffon.The new jewellery rules and
regulations become more and more
complicated. For instance,
amongst most up-to-date wom-
en, comeliens have now been
set apart for wear with jerseys
and tweeds. Gold should be worn
with black dresses, particularly
velvet, although the new gold
chains, an inch wide and flexible
enough for comfort, are permitted
with afternoon frocks of fawn,
beige and cocoa colour. Paste
may be used indiscriminately with
black, white or old rose. Emeralds
look better with white than with
anything else, and so are reserved
exclusively for it. But when it
comes to cracked red stones with
yellow frocks and topaz necklaces
with chrysanthemum and citron shades,
one feels that the "madness" between
dress and jewellery craze has
been rather overdone.Wide, flexible waistbelts of gold
dies, arranged and shaped like
fishes' scales, are one of most up-
to-date novelties. Another is a
belt of beige felt, inset with a pro-
cession of vermilion, velours
animals.

Checked Kid.

A new and distinctive shoe
combines checked kid with
patent leather and has love-
knotted straps of the two
leathers.

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Across.
1 Harm.
4 Scanty.
8 Scrutinize.
11 Fraction of a pound.
12 Trunk of the arterial system.
13 Sully.
16 Rule.
16 Hebrew month.
18 Covered with paper.
19 Writing much of one's self.
21 Sesame.
23 To wash.
24 Ball of thread.
27 Poem.
29 Bribe.
30 Kind of dog.
31 Small inlet.
34 Indeterminate quantity.
36 Loved with haste.
37 Author of a poem.
38 Spanish form of address.
40 Triplets (musical).
43 Besprinkle.
46 Tramp for publication.
47 Exceedingly.
48 Tardy.
49 The chocolate-tree.
50 Sign in the zodiac.
51 Principal timber in a ship.
52 Slanted.
53 An act.Down.
1 Fourth part of a spindle of yarn.
2 Disease of poultry.
3 Deep vessels for holding soup.
4 Skin-fint.
5 Ovary.
6 Pervy.
7 A little tongue.
8 Branch of dynamics.9 Turkish judge.
10 Pattern.
14 Tied by a lace.
17 Opposed to a liability.
20 Fence.
21 Mend in a clumsy manner.
22 Strength.
25 Fruit.
26 Small thin sweet cake.
28 Everlasting.
32 Smear with oil.
33 Pertaining to an edict.
34 Placed in a permanent position.
36 Sacred cantata.
39 Inner part of a thing.
40 Valuable wood.
41 Cereal.
42 British shrub of the plum genus.
43 Ground outer coat of grain.
44 Graze.
45 To go.

Yesterday's Solution.

ARCHER HARASS
PLEASANT ASTER
STARE CLANIMATE
YESTERDAY NAVAL
CROSS-EMERY EY
HUNTERDURE S R
ESSENCE FATHER
ENCORE AURA A
MCNIRADES T X
R P ADORABLE
AGASTOUSED ALICE
COYOTES PALLEN
EDEMA EGER VCS
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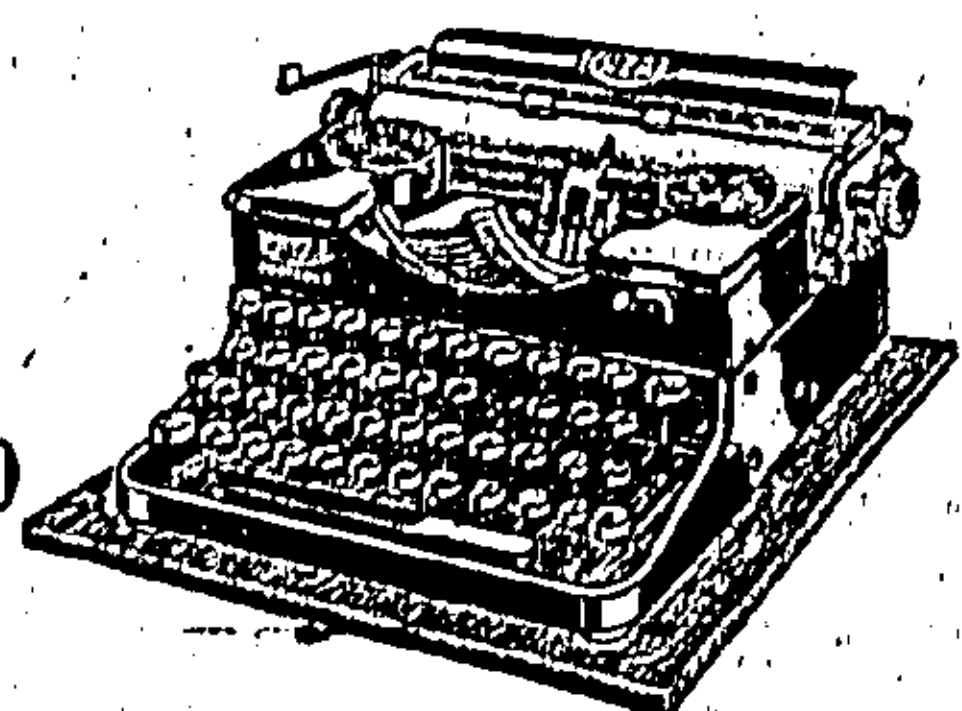
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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL CO-OPERATION.

Whilst a distinct step forward has been reached by the appointment of seven Chinese to assist the Shanghai Municipal Council in drafting the new Budget, it is clear that considerable difficulty is being experienced in securing the desired co-operation between foreign and Chinese interests. Yesterday, we published a summary of a manifesto issued by the Amalgamated Association of Streets Unions bitterly denouncing the Chinese Ratepayers' Association for not having pressed for seats on the Council but having accepted, instead, the suggestion of a Chinese Advisory Committee. This Streets Union organisation is evidently bent on stirring up trouble, for it drags in all manner of extraneous subjects, such as the fact that officials connected with the May 30th incident are receiving pensions from the Municipality. That point aside, however, it is utterly astray on fact when it asserts that the Advisory Committee has been formed to take the place of the suggested Chinese members of the Council. The invitation from the Municipal Council was in very specific terms. It regretted that, so far, the offer of three seats had not been accepted, and went on to suggest that "in the meantime" a special Advisory Committee might be appointed for the particular purpose of assisting the Council in connexion with the forthcoming Budget. That suggestion was laid before the Chinese Ratepayers' Association, and it was agreed to, on the specific lines laid down in the invitation. There can therefore be no suggestion, as alleged by the Streets Union organisation, that the Ratepayers' Association has allowed the original Chinese demands to be swept aside.

The actual position at the moment appears to be that the Advisory Committee has been created and that already its members have been familiarising themselves with the administration of municipal affairs. As the *Shanghai Times* observes, this is a fact of the greatest importance, as the potentialities of the development are extremely wide. In passing, it may be noticed that one of the members of the Committee is Mr. Tsu Yee-pei, formerly of Hongkong and now manager of the

Bank of China in Shanghai. Whilst hoping that the formation of this Committee will lead to wider Sino-foreign co-operation, the journal named sounds a note of warning regarding the possibility of political considerations being brought to bear upon the body from the Chinese side. In this connexion, it mentions that the invitation was originally made to Mr. Yu Yeh-ching, the Chairman of the Commercial Federation, who then consulted the Ratepayers' Association and possibly Marshal Chiang Kai-shek also, when on a visit to Nanking. "Obviously it is sound," says our contemporary, "for the Municipal Council to secure the co-operation of Chinese residents, but, unless the Chinese are animated by friendliness, nothing material can be achieved; hitherto, the Chinese Ratepayers' Association has displayed 'no excess of friendship.' It would certainly introduce a new element into Shanghai's municipal administration were politics to be permitted to creep in. The consequences would be disastrous to the future of the Settlement. The Council's action in seeking Chinese assistance, even in face of the foolish reluctance to accept the seats offered, is proof of the sincerity of its motives, and foreigners have a right to expect an equal indication of friendship on the part of the leaders of the Chinese community."

The Touting Nuisance.

In principle we are prepared to go a long way with Mr. M. K. Lo in his strong protest, at the Central Magistracy on Wednesday, against the arrest of the driver of a public motor-car charged with violating the traffic regulations. The arbitrary arrest of any man when the offence amounts to nothing more than a misdemeanour, for which no penalty other than a fine can be imposed, is an unwarranted step when a summons can prove effective in bringing the individual to Court. Mr. Lo recognises the police difficulty in some cases, but, as he pointed out, the driver charged would have had no option. The situation as it then existed was bad enough, but apparently the police went a stage further and took the driver's finger-prints, an action without the slightest justification. The police in Hongkong may have to contend with difficulty in their work unique to this Colony, but touting is not a crime, and a too-emphatic protest cannot be phrased. That is as far as we are able to agree with Mr. Lo. We cannot agree with his description of the offence as trivial. In normal circumstances, Mr. Lo might be quite correct, but our experience of public vehicle drivers in Hongkong is that they are becoming more adventurous, and a more considerable public nuisance every day. In the evening, particularly, there is room for drastic police action. As opposed to the case in which Mr. Lo was concerned, we have seen a driver circling round and round the blinking beacon light hoping to pick up a fare ahead of the cars lined up outside the Post Office building. A constable stands idly looking on apparently admiring the driving ability of the man at the wheel. More often than not, if one is crossing the road, the car is stopped right across one's path, and the position is forced to walk round the vehicle as the driver of public motor-cars are also prolific contributors to the increasing dirt in Hongkong's streets which proves so amazing and unbecomingly to the stranger. Here there is room for drastic police action. Summonses will be sufficient if the fines are heavy enough.

THE WEEK'S PICTURES. MANY RACE ILLUSTRATIONS TO-MORROW.

A feature of the pictures appearing in to-morrow's *Telegraph* will be a representative selection of photographs taken at the Hongkong Jockey Club's Race Meeting. Besides a picture of the spectators in the grandstand on Derby Day and another of Mr. Maitland escorting Miss Laird to the presentation of the 'Ladies' Purse, there will be others showing the leading in of O-Moon (winner of Valley Stakes), Pickle (Lusitano Cup), Little Sit Tang (Chater Cup), Warlordship (Jockey Cup) and Masonic Hall (Hongkong Stakes), as well as one showing Pickle winning the Trial Plate. In addition to these, a number of snapshots taken at the Central British School sports will appear.

DAY BY DAY.

SELF-CONQUEST LIES IN OBEDIENCE, OBEDIENCE LIES IN KNOWLEDGE.—Edward Clodd.

A Chinese case of small-pox was notified yesterday.

The a.s. Hain Wah, of the China Merchants Company, was taken in hand for bottom cleaning and refit at the Takoo Dock this morning.

Mrs. Edith Grace Norris, who died at Rending Jan. 11, in her 92nd year, was the mother of the Bishop of North China.

The late Mr. Gershom Whitfield Guinness, M.B. (88), of the China Inland Mission, Newington Green, N., for 30 years a medical missionary, left £1,334.

Forthcoming weddings announced include that of Mr. A. E. Kew, merchant, 7A, Macdonnell Road, to Miss N. J. Ho, "The Hermitage," 42, Kennedy Road.

On Jan. 16, Paymaster Lt.-Com. E. D. T. Churcher, late secretary to the Commodore-in-Charge at Hongkong, took up duty in the office of the First Sea Lord.

The engagement is announced of David Ian Hobkirk, Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Ellen Margaret, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Edwards, of Maidenhead, late of China.

A Chinese was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday, suffering from injuries received when he fell off a motor lorry in Waterloo Road. He had been sitting beside the driver of the lorry and is believed to have lost his balance when the lorry took a sharp turn.

The body of a Chinese, named Cheung Muk Mee, aged 24, was removed to the Victoria Mortuary yesterday from the China Sugar Refinery. The man is believed to have committed suicide by hanging himself. His body was found suspended by a rope from the ceiling on the refinery premises.

Awards of silver medals have been made by the Royal Humane Society to Engine-room Artificer Thomas W. Duckworth, aged 24, Able Seaman Harry P. Paterson, aged 24, and Stoker 1st Class Edward Wright, aged 23, all of the Submarine L4, who saved 30 lives at Blas Bay, on October 20, on the occasion of the Irene piracy.

The P. and O. s.s. Kashmir, with the mail from Home, was sighted off Gap Rock at 10 a.m. and entered port about noon. Passengers for Hongkong on board included Mr. F. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Everest, Mr. S. C. Feltham, Pay 'Lieut.-Comdr. F. D. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Ross, and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Stone.

Nee Nang Sao, aged 29, a seaman, of the steamer Glenbeg, was ordered at East Ham Police Court on Jan. 17 to pay £2 5s. for illegally harbouring and concealing on board 5½ lbs. of silk tissue and seven silk handkerchiefs. Sao said that he bought the silk at Yokohama at 2s. a yard, and that it would be worth anything from 10s. to 14s. a yard in England.

The late Sir Charles Dudgeon, whose death at San Remo has already been reported, was in October, 1901, appointed an assistant to the British Special Commission for conducting commercial negotiations with the Chinese Government, and received the honour of Knighthood in recognition of his services in June, 1903. Sir Charles was elected president of the China Association in 1911.

Kowloon cinema-goers should note that the movie programme in the Star Theatre ends at 8.30, this evening, the Bavard Musical Comedy Company presenting the great London success, "Mercenary Mary" at 9.15 p.m. The chief picture in the movie programme is "Tin Gods" a story of "the man who came back," with Tom Melghan, Renee Adoree and Alleen Pringle in the leading roles.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Feb. 16.
Paris	124
Brussels	35.02
Amsterdam	12.11 1/4
Berlin	20.43
Copenhagen	18.20
Vienna	34.00 1/4
Helsinki	108 1/4
London	2.10/64
Bombay	79.24
Rangoon	47.29/32
Shanghai	2/11 1/8
Yokohama	1/11 3/8
New York	48.74
Geneva	25.34
Milan	92.06
Stockholm	18.10
Oslo	18.31 1/4
Prague	164 1/4
Madrid	28.97 1/4
Athens	307 1/4
Tripoli	539/64
Bombay	1/5 15/16
Hongkong	2/0 1/4
Silver (spot and forward)	20.8/16

—British Wireless.

MACAO NOTES.

SOME INTERESTING ITEMS.

Macao, Feb. 15.
Macao is to receive a visit from His Excellency Sir Miles Lampson, K.C.M.G., Minister for Great Britain in Peking, who has accepted the invitation extended to him by His Excellency Senhor Tamagnini de Sousa Barboza, Governor of Macao.

This is the first occasion on which the Portuguese Colony is to receive such a visit, and, though late in the 18th Century Lord Macartney and early in the 19th Century Lord Amherst, acting respectively as Ambassadors for England en route for Peking stayed at Macao, it is over a hundred years since a visit of this importance has been made to Macao.

His Excellency Sir Miles Lampson will be accompanied by a small number of members of his suite and will make the trip over to Macao on Wednesday, 22nd February, in H.M.S. Tarantula, reaching the Portuguese port at about noon. The British Minister and his party will be the guests, during their stay at Macao, of His Excellency the Governor of Macao. The distinguished visitors will leave on the following morning for Canton.

Ibero-American Exposition.
Instructions have been received at Macao from the Minister for the Colonies at Lisbon that Macao should be well represented at the forthcoming Ibero-American Exposition at Seville.

The Exposition will be confined to Spain and Portugal and their respective colonies as well as the ex-colonies of Spain in South America.

Of the probable exhibitors Macao will most likely be the only representative of the Far East, and Macao's exhibit should be especially interesting.

At a meeting to select a working committee held at Government House some very helpful suggestions were brought forward. One by Mr. F. W. Carey, Commissioner of Lappa Customs, was exceptionally good. He proposed that a full-size reproduction in plaster of Camoens's Grotto, as it stands at Macao, should be made at the entrance to the Macao Pavilion, with the mural tablets and the bust with its pedestal.

The Hotel Riviera is continuing to fill an important place as a social centre. Ten dances and dinner dances have become a feature of the social entertainments provided, and visitors to Macao continue to find this fine hostelry a great convenience. It is believed that two parties of tourists expected next month will have guide services in their visit to Macao provided by the hotel staff.

The Leal Senado.

The Government Council of Macao, with the object of granting greater powers to the Macao Leal Senado, as the Municipal Council is called, has offered the suggestion that it is expedient to grant to the Leal Senado wider functions and also a larger income derived from public utilities, and that the present constitution should be altered to include three members nominated by the Macao Government Council from the senior members of the Civil Service, i.e., chiefs of departments, and two members elected by the public, one of whom two will occupy a seat on the Government Council as representative of the people. The system by which all five members will be elected will, therefore, not operate. The President of the Leal Senado will be elected by the members of the Senado from among themselves.

The Carnival.
This annual festival on the eve of the Lenten Season will be just as actively enjoyed at Macao this year as usual, and there are signs that the festivities will be on an even larger scale than customary.

Photographic Exhibition.
At the request of Hongkong friends, it has been proposed to postpone the closing date of the Exhibition, and as many Hongkong exhibitors have not yet paid a visit to Macao, it has, therefore, been decided to accede to the request and keep the Exhibition open for some time longer.

The Judges of the Art Section of the Macao Photographic and Art Exhibition and Contest have made the following awards:
Special Mention and Awards of Honour—Juliet Bredon for her book "The Moon Year," Marcelano A. Baptista for his paintings, never hitherto exhibited, shown by his grandson, Mr. M. F. Baptista; his grandson, Mr. M. F. Baptista; the Baron Cereal for his paintings; exhibited for the first time by his son Mr. A. de Mello.

Gold Medal—General Gomes de Costa.

Silver Medals—Mr. M. F. Baptista, Mr. Yee Cheong, Miss M. A. da Silva, Mr. K. H. Tang and Mr. S. Lopes.
Certificates of Merit—Rev. J. C. Almeida de Rosario, Mr. J. G. de Aguiar, Mr. Denton, Mr. Harry Kow, Major Victor Lacerda and Mr. Remigio Banares.
Special prize presented by Madama Tamagnini Barboza—Miss Helena Ribeiro.

The Very Idea!

The officer said he found three empty glasses, a half-gallon demijohn, and three empty flasks near the body. Death is believed to have been due to natural causes.—*San Francisco Chronicle.*

Haste to the wedding, the joy-bells are ringing.
The cars are be-ribboned, the guests clamour in;
The bride looks bowitching; her young heart is singing.
The bridegroom is blushing and trying to grin.
Throw your confetti—the parson has blessed 'em;
Wish them good luck and the love that endures—
What though her teeth break his teeth? He'll digest 'em—
Prevention is better than dozens of cures.

When a 17-year-old gipsy boy was charged at Bucks Ashizes recently with shooting at Charles Henry Watts, gamekeeper, while trespassing on land at Chalfont St. Peter, with intent to murder him, Mr. Justice Sankey, reading from a report he had prepared, said the prisoner appeared to have lived an animal life. He was one of a family of nine born out of wedlock and living in verminous conditions. He did not know the days of the week, did not know the meaning of religion, did not know his own name, could neither read nor write, and until he arrived in prison had never washed his body. Yet, in his gipsy way, he had a strong family affection. The jury found the prisoner guilty of common assault, and sentencing him to three years' Borstal treatment, Mr. Justice Sankey said he would learn to read and write as other boys did. The youth was led from the dock protesting that he did not want to learn to read and write.

Mr. Snell, at Old-street: If you don't go back to your wife I shall make an order. Man! I have been paying under an order. Mr. Snell: Who made the order? The man: My missus herself.

Father, at Marylebone: chastised my son for being late home, and he turned on me, struck me all over the body, and dragged me through the streets by my feet.

Poole defendant: I heard what she said. I have good earsight. Willson woman: I simply said he was no man, and he accused me of defamation of character. Woman unable to speak up? In her evidence at the London Sessions: I lost my teeth in the flood.

The intending passenger watched the train thunder past the station at 50 miles an hour. Much annoyed, he exclaimed wrathfully to a porter, "That train didn't stop!" "No, sir," replied the porter cheerfully, "it didn't even hesitate."

Teacher—"Can anybody tell me something about Henry VIII?" Small Boy—"Yes, sir; he ironed his clothes on Anne Boleyn!" Teacher—"Are you trying to be funny?"

Small Boy—"No, sir; it says so in my book. It says, 'Henry VIII. pressed his suit on Anne Boleyn.'"

How he keeps journalists at bay was amusingly described by Sir William Joynson-Hicks, the Home Secretary, at the annual dinner of the London District of the Institute of Journalists. He said that somebody recently had established at Ipswich a home for worn-out, retired journalists. "Why not a home for worn-out, retired statesmen?" From what I read in some of the newspapers to-day, such a home may be necessary for the whole of His Majesty's Cabinet. I do not know what the hours of work of journalists are, but I assure you the hours of work of statesmen are very largely prolonged by the journalists. We often hear from you on the telephone, but I have an excellent plan. I have a telephone by my wife's bed. She is the medium of communication during the night. I hear what passes. I hear the words of my wife. I tell you the Home Secretary is in bed. I tell you the Home Secretary is asleep in bed."

Drawing is a very soothing thing.—Sir Robert Baden-Powell.
American theatre-goers are crazy on cops and crooks.—George Grossmith.
Dismal, squabbling and wicked talk of class war threaten our extinction.—Sir W. J. Noble.

Yesterday afternoon a Chinese woman reported to the Central Police that she has been robbed of \$180 in Kwangtung coins while she was changing money at a money changers' shop opposite to the Central Market. She took \$150 H. K. notes to change for Kwangtung silver and when she had obtained the money she put \$180 coins in one parcel, and the rest on the ground in order to count it. After a few minutes she looked for the parcel but the \$180 was missing. No arrest has been made.

POLICE ASSAULT DENIED.**BENCH WANTS IMPARTIAL EVIDENCE.****PROSECUTION FAILS.**

"Our case is that it was a very bad case of attempted blackmail on the part of the Chinese constable," said Mr. C. A. S. Russ when appearing before Mr. R. E. Lindell, this morning, to defend a Chinese shopkeeper, of 4, Morrison Street, against a charge of assaulting a Chinese constable and damaging his uniform.

The case for the police was that defendant resisted a police search which was carried out in the street, that defendant actually struck and damaged the Chinese constable's uniform, and that, when invited to accompany the latter to the Police Station, he refused to do so, until the arrival of a European Sergeant.

Knocked Dizzy.

Asked what he expected to find on the defendant, Chinese Constable No. 498, who brought the complaint, said he suspected the presence of arms. He was knocked dizzy, and denied that the shopkeeper ever sought to summon aid by blowing a police whistle.

Police Sergeant Jessop stated that, on being called, he found a scene of disorder in the defendant's shop, where chairs were knocked about. The defendant was sitting behind a counter, and complained to witness that the constable had endeavored to pull him into the street, demanding to search him, and that when he resisted a row ensued. Finally, before accompanying witness to the Police Station, he took up a police cap left by the constable in the shop.

Mr. Russ, in submitting that it was not necessary to put questions to Sergeant Jessop, said his case was that the constable saw money being counted and deposited on the counter, and he then walked in the defendant to search defendant. It was a very bad case of attempted blackmail, Mr. Russ commented.

Constable's Denials.

Another Chinese police constable, in evidence, disagreed that defendant was in the shop when he himself came on the scene. He also disagreed that defendant was blowing a police whistle, but said that the complainant was blowing his. Replying to witness, defendant emphatically refused to accompany them to the police station, agreeing to do so only when a European Sergeant arrived to take charge.

Recalled, Sergeant Jessop said it was possible that the articles of furniture which he found strewn about the shop might have been left there when defendant was interrupted in the process of moving in the things for the night. However, the defendant pointed to the chairs littered about the floor when witness first entered the shop, and indicated that this was the result of trouble with the complainant.

Inside the Shop.

His Worship sternly questioned the witnesses as to whether defendant was at the time of the search, standing outside his own doorway.

Defendant replied that he was inside the shop all the time. Proceeding to give his story in evidence, defendant said he was counting money at his counter when the complainant, whom he had never seen in his life, walked in, demanded to make a search of him and proceeded to drag him out of the premises. He (defendant) declared that the constable had no right to act thus, at least not without a search warrant, when it concerned an individual on his own premises, and instantly grabbed the constable by his jacket. With his other hand, he drew out a police whistle and sounded it.

Thereupon, the constable wrested himself free, tearing his uniform as he did so, turned tail and bolted out of the shop. He never bothered to recover his cap, which was later turned over to Sergeant Jessop. In fleeing, the constable further kicked and knocked over the chairs.

Finally, in reply to Mr. Russ, defendant declared that the constable could have no legal reason for searching him in his own shop.

Impartial Evidence Needed.

In discharging the defendant, his Worship said he would like to impress upon the police the great importance of getting impartial outside evidence, other than police evidence, in such cases.

Inspector Murphy pointed to the torn jacket of the constable, now produced as evidence.

His Worship replied that the jacket was only evidence of damage done in a scrap, but it was not evidence of wilful and deliberate assault. His Worship thought that a detective should

ALLEGED LARCENY OF \$3,000.**PROSECUTING SOLICITOR IN A QUANDARY.****DEATH OF WITNESS.**

Sit Kan-kwong appeared before Major C. Willson, at the Police Court this morning, on a charge of larceny of \$3,000 belonging to the Kam Sang Knitting Factory.

Mr. M. K. Lo prosecuted on behalf of one of the partners of the knitting factory.

Addressing his Worship, Mr. Lo said he would like to put the facts of the case before the Court in order to ask for guidance in certain respects.

His Worship interposed and said that he had been asked by Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, who would be defending, to fix a date for the hearing.

Opinion Wanted.

Mr. Lo then stated that he would like to put the prosecution's case before his Worship, as he wanted an expression of opinion from the Bench as to whether the prosecution should go on.

The facts of the case, as outlined by Mr. Lo, were to the effect that the defendant and two other men originally thought of forming a partnership, but as the defendant was unable to pay his share, he was dropped out of the partnership and was merely employed as an accountant. A year or two ago, whilst the managing partner was out, the defendant is alleged to have taken the key of the safe, opened the latter and taken away \$3,000, after which he was not seen again.

This part of the story was in pursuance of a report made by the office boy to the managing partner. A report was made to the police.

Witness Dies.

Mr. Lo said that he informed his Worship, on a previous appearance, that the prosecution was trying to get hold of the boy as a witness but that was out of the question as Mr. Lo had since learned that the boy died at the Kwong Wah Hospital some time ago. The only evidence, said Mr. Lo, was that the managing partner could say the money was in the safe, that he went out, and that on his return he found the key had been tampered with, and the defendant was missing; also that a certain report was made to him.

The only other evidence was that the defendant wrote from the country to the complainant, a very long letter, which was being translated in which the defendant suggested that the partners might proceed to sell the premises of the shop and deduct the amount. Mr. Lo explained that the writer probably meant that he was very sorry that he had taken the money and suggested that the partners could sell the premises to cover themselves.

Serious Principle.

Remarking that that was all the evidence he could bring, Mr. Lo said: "Acting for the prosecution, I always dislike the idea of bringing cases before the Court on insufficient evidence, but you can see that the principle involved is rather serious. But, on the other hand, we have no actual evidence that the defendant was seen to take this money."

Major Willson: "It seems to me that a great deal depends on whether he was a partner or not."

Mr. Lo then indicated that he could call the two partners to tell his Worship that defendant was not a partner.

The hearing was fixed for Friday afternoon.

IRONSIDES DESTINY.**GEN. MOW PEI-NAM ANXIOUS TO SURRENDER.**

General Mow Pei-nam, who is now the only prominent commander who has remained with what is left of the "Ironside" army is reported to have wired to the Canton Government proposing complete surrender.

Generals Chang Fat-kwai and Wang Ki-cheung are said to have gone to North China, while Hsien Yo, the radical militarist, who joined the Ironsides in the coup last November is probably with them.

Regarding the proposal of General Mow Pei-nam, General Li Chai-sum is said to be apathetic and has left the former's telegram unanswered.

General Mow Pei-nam, it is reported, has also dispatched a message to the military government of Kiangsi, General Chu Pei-teh asking permission to link the "Ironside" remnants with the Kiangsi army.

have been sent out in the first instance to fully investigate the matter before the case was brought. In other words, the case should not have been brought without further enquiries.

A fohi, who was similarly charged, was also discharged.

DRAMATIC PIRACY STORY.**WARSHIPS' RESCUE EFFORTS.****THREAT TO SHOOT CREW IF ACTION TAKEN.****KAITSU MARU AFFAIR.**

Shanghai, Feb. 14. Surrounded by Japanese and Chinese warships trying to prevent her escape, the Japanese steamer Kaitsu Maru is in the hands of Chinese pirates off Hainan, on the coast of North Kiangsu, but the pirates are bargaining for their freedom, with the lives of four Japanese sailors held captive by them.

The pirates are reported to have disabled the steamer's engines, and have threatened to kill the captives if the warships open fire on them. Latest reports last night stated that the pirates managed to escape ashore and took four sailors with them as hostages.

Captain Wounded.

According to a Reuter message from Peking, the piracy was discovered by the steamer Heiro Maru when on its way to Haichow from Shanghai and was anchored off Tsingtau on February 11 when the steamer Kaitsu Maru approached her and a junk cut off from the Kaitsu. This was seen to be filled with pirates, so the Heiro hastily drew anchor and steamed off, but not before the pirates had fired, killing a seaman and wounding the captain.

The Heiro reported the incident to Hainan, as a result of which a Japanese gunboat was sent from Tsingtau and the destroyer Tsubaki from Port Arthur.

Destroyer on Scene.

A Toho message issued here yesterday states: "According to an announcement published by the local Japanese naval agent, the destroyer Tsubaki, which was despatched by the Commander-in-Chief of the Second Japanese Foreign Service Squadron for subjugation of pirates, discovered the Japanese steamer Kaitsu Maru which is in the hands of pirates, at a point 12 miles north-east of Kuanshan at 12.30 p.m. on Sunday."

As the pirates, firing rifles furiously, offered a stubborn resistance to the Japanese warships and attempted to flee, the Japanese warship replied to the firing and advised the pirates to surrender. But the pirates, relying upon the fact that they are holding six Japanese sailors as hostages, are continuing their resistance desperately.

Searchlights On Vessel.

At 5.30 p.m. on Sunday, the coast-defence ship Tsubaki arrived at the scene to assist her consort. As the night fell before the matter could be settled, the two Japanese warships kept their searchlights trained on the pirate ship all night long so as to prevent her escape.

The Kaitsu Maru is unable to move. It appears that the pirates have destroyed the engines of the ship. It is said that the pirates' base of operation is located at Kuanshan.

Vessel Surrounded.

A later message reaching here from Tsingtau states: "The two Japanese warships Tsubaki and Tsubaki, acting in concert with a Chinese gunboat, are now surrounding the Kaitsu Maru which is in the hands of pirates. The pirates threaten to kill all the Japanese sailors who are held as hostages, if the warships take vigorous measures. They are requesting the warships to let them escape, but the Japanese warships are paying no heed to the request of the pirates. The Kaitsu Maru is owned by the Kaitsu and Company, a Japanese transportation company in Tsingtau, and is a ship of 2,000 tons."

POLICE INTERPRETER IN TROUBLE.**SERIOUS CHARGE PREFERRED IN COURT.**

A probationer police interpreter, named Cheong Tak, was charged before Major C. Willson, this morning, with misconducting himself in that he received \$50 from one Wong Ka-yun as a guarantee that Wong would not be proceeded against by summons.

Sergeant Carey, prosecuting, asked for a remand and indicated to his Worship that he had received instructions to oppose bail of less than \$500.

His Worship fixed the hearing of the case for next Wednesday afternoon, granting bail at \$500.

THE SHASI BANDITS COOL NERVE.**NAIVE REQUEST FOR BULLION INFORMATION.****HOW TO SEND REPLY.**

The deplorable conditions at Shasi and vicinity at the present time cannot be more adequately emphasised than by publication of the text of a letter received by a representative of a well-known shipping company from bandits of the neighbourhood.

The bandits advised this agent to reply forthwith to their demands as to how much silver it was the practice of his company to ship in their steamers from Shanghai to Hankow, in what ships was the alluring cargo to be found, together with dates of sailing and sundry items to enable them more easily to fall upon their coveted prey.

Failure to comply with their naive request would, the bandits assured the agent, result in an "spectacular" demonstration on their part. As for the foreign gunboats, the bandits continued, they could be used to frighten the "people," but could not intimidate "fire," the latter presumably referring to the rifles of the signatory warriors.

Details as to how the reply was to be sent, posted on a godown with a set of signals indicating the number of thousands of dollars in silver which might be expected to arrive into their eager grasp, were also included in the letter for the agent's edification.

SIMON COMMISSION.**NON-CONFIDENCE MOTION IN ASSEMBLY.**

New Delhi, Feb. 16. An extraordinary spectacle was offered on the occasion of the Assembly debate on Lajpatrai's motion of non-confidence in the constitution and scheme of the Statutory Commission.

The house was crowded and the public galleries packed. Keenest interest was shown in the result of the voting. Lajpatrai, whose resolution pledged the Assembly to have nothing to do with the Commission in any shape or form, said he did not believe in the British *bona fides*. The Commission's ignorance of Indian conditions, history and politics was their greatest disqualification. The Commissioners could only be the grammophones of bureaucracy and eventually grammophones of the Secretary of State. Furthermore, the Indian problem was beyond the competence of any Commission.

He concluded declaring that the Nationalists were open to negotiation but refused to be victims of a camouflage. "As long as a British steel frame surrounds us it is impossible to achieve anything."

Member's Sudden Death.

New Delhi, Feb. 16. The Session was forced to adjourn owing to the sudden death of the Sind non-Mohammedan rural member, Hanahandral Vishindas, who, although very ill, travelled to Delhi from Karachi in response to an urgent Nationalist Whip order to vote against the Statutory Commission.

Vishindas was being conveyed to the House in an ambulance car, but he died en route.

FOOTBALL FORECAST COMPETITION.**TWO COMPETITORS SHARE PRIZE.**

There were no fewer than five of the matches on our last week's coupon that ended in a draw, a circumstance which kept correct forecasts down to modest numbers. The prize of \$25 has been shared by two competitors, each of whom had nine correct forecasts on one coupon. The names of these successful entrants are:

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If these two will kindly call at this office, we shall be pleased to hand them their shares of the prize money.

There were several claimants in respect of eight correct forecasts. This week's coupon will be found on another page of this issue.

The annual dinner of St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club will take place at Lane Crawford's Restaurant this evening.

It is understood that difficulties in the matter of registration have also been responsible for the holding up of the Yachow, as well as other West River vessels.

SHANGHAI SHARE DEAL.**FORMER HONGKONG MAN GETS JUDGMENT.****"SHARP BUSINESS."**

Judgment for the plaintiff in the sum of Tls. 1,410.75, together with costs, was on Monday last awarded by His Honour, Judge Sir Peter Grain, in the British Supreme Court at Shanghai in the action brought for the recovery of that amount by Mr. David Arakie (formerly of Hongkong) from Mr. C. D. Komaroff in connexion with a transaction in rubber shares in November, 1926.

The plaintiff was represented by Mr. Tyeoh Wing, and the defendant by Mr. M. B. Brown.

Attracts Attention.

The case brought to light many interesting points concerning share dealing in Shanghai, and attracted considerable attention in stock and share circles. It involved the sale by the plaintiff of 3,000 Tannah Merah rubber shares to the defendant at a price which the defendant claimed was above the market value at that particular time. The shares were sold, according to the defendant's statement, by misrepresentation and fraud. He refused to take delivery of them on the due date and the plaintiff re-sold them at a price less than the purchase price, involving the loss of the amount claimed in the action.

In giving judgment, his Lordship said the general rule with regard to all sales is "Caveat Emptor"—the buyer is always anxious to buy as cheaply as possible and the seller to sell at the highest price. And when a buyer has ample means of ascertaining the value of the goods it is his own fault if he neglects to do so.

In this case Arakie, the broker, was the seller and wanted to get the best price for the shares on behalf of his client and for the sake of his own brokerage, and offered the shares at Tls. 2.25 to Komaroff. Komaroff assumes he is a friend doing him a good turn but was mistaken and had really come across a broker who was out to do a good piece of business. Arakie may have thought that Komaroff knew nothing about shares and was not very wise and was just the sort of man to buy without enquiring much into the matter.

No Novice.

But defendant, Komaroff, is not a novice in business; he has been in business in Shanghai for many years, and had every facility for ascertaining, by telephone and otherwise, the price of shares before he signed the Confirmation Note. It appears that on the same day Arakie sold 1,000 Tannah Merah shares to one Mr. O. Moore at Tls. 2.25 which have not been repaid. But knowing nothing about this transaction it does not appear material to this case.

This charge of fraud is entirely based on a misunderstanding by the defendant, Komaroff. All the evidence that the defendant can bring to support his charge of fraud is "It was my impression," his "presumption" and his "inferences."

"Sharp" Business.

When fraud is pleaded there must be absolute proof of fraud and nothing short of absolute proof will suffice. And although the defendant might have done a sharp stroke of business and sold the shares above their value there is nothing approaching absolute proof of fraud in the evidence now before me.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?**TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.**

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the Daily Express.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 12 of this issue.

1. Which of our statesmen has recently been created (a) one of the Elder Brethren of Trinity House; (b) a Fellow of the Royal Society?
2. Who is known as the "Archbishop of the Gutter?"
3. When and by whom was the Rotary Club movement started?
4. What teams appeared in the Cup Final at Wembley in April 1927?
5. Who said: "I am like a clock that is nearly run down?"
6. Which British butterfly has become extinct owing to the draining of the Ken District?
7. What is the origin of the following four signs: (a) Elephant and Castle; (b) Bull and Butcher?
8. What noted dramatist gave his name as a new word in the English language?
9. Who were the Huguenots?
10. Who painted "The Blue Boy" and in what circumstances?
11. Where are the Carpathian Mountains?
12. From what plant is opium derived?



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THE SENIOR SHIELD

CHINESE ATHLETIC AND K.O.S.B.

FAIRLY EVEN CHANCES.

(By "Wanderer.")

The match upon which most interest is centred, the replay in the first round of the Senior Shield Competition between the Chinese Athletic and the K.O.S.B. has been postponed until to-morrow, as the result of the revision of Shield arrangements. At the time of writing the schedule for to-morrow provides for two Senior Shield first round re-plays and two second round ties, while the second round of the Junior Shield will also be played off.

Kowloon entertain the R.A.F., and as Sims returns to the home side after his injury in Shanghai, Kowloon will have an opportunity of testing their prospects of going as far in the competition as they have done for the past five seasons, that is reach the final.

The programme, together with grounds, times of kick-off, and officials appointed, is as follows:

SENIOR SHIELD.

First Round Re-plays.

K.O.S.B. v. Chinese Ath.—Sookun-poo, 4 p.m.—Mr. Barber, referee; Messrs. Gilbert and Hollands, linesmen.

Police v. Recreio.—Club, 4.15.—Mr. Hyson, Messrs. Lamb and Mackie.

Second Round.

Kowloon v. R.A.F.—Kowloon, 4.15.—Capt. Austin; Messrs. Hutchins and Stokes.

Scots Guards v. R.A.—U.S.R.C., 4.15.—Mr. Smith; Messrs. Phillips and Presley.

JUNIOR SHIELD.

Second Round.

Kowloon v. Scots Gds.—Kowloon, 2.30.—Mr. Willis.
Chinese Ath. v. S. China "A"—Club, 2.30.—Mr. Lansdale.
K.O.S.B. v. Recreio.—Sookunpoo, 2.30.—Mr. Cowan.
Queen's v. St. Joseph's.—U.S.R.C., 2.30.—Mr. Presley.

League, Junior Div. "A."

R.A. Res. v. Club Res.—S. China, 2.45.—Mr. Gilmour.

Junior Division "B."

Chinese Ath. v. Kowloon.—Caroline Hill, 4.15.—Mr. Kinsella.

In all Shield games extra time must be played if necessary. The remaining Second Round ties or any further re-plays will be played off on Wednesday next.

Excitement Expected.

The thrills of last Saturday, those last minute goals, when hopes sailed high and then received a set-back, that brave recovery of the Chinese Athletic when twice within an ace of defeat, will, it is expected, be repeated in a sense to-morrow when the teams, the K.O.S.B. and the Chinese, meet again.

The K.O.S.B. had sufficient of the game to justify a victory. Davey, Everest and Skiggs were a line of half-backs which put a distinct check on the Chinese forwards, and fed their forwards beautifully. The Borderers, however, lacked a penetrative forward, and the chances may not come again.

The change of ground will not place the Chinese Athletic at any special disadvantage, and it is certain to be a great tussle. The Athletic will not be quite so tired this Saturday as last. They had not fully recovered from the trip but a further week may turn the balance in their favour.

As far as is at present known both sides will be fully represented. It is a needle match from many points of view. The Chinese are out to win the Shield, a performance which has never yet fallen to their lot, while the K.O.S.B. are the holders.

I expect the Chinese to win on this occasion, that is unless the K.O.S.B. display an incisiveness not apparent in any of their matches this season. Half-backs cannot always be relied upon, to get goals.

The Other Re-Play.

The other re-play between the Police and the Club de Recreio bears fewer elements of interest. Neither side is expected to make

THE DAVIS CUP.

MR. NG SZE-KWONG CAPTAIN
OF CHINA'S TEAM.

The China National Amateur Athletic Federation has announced the appointment of Mr. Ng Sze-kwong as Davis Cup Captain and Mr. W. Lock Wel as Manager.

The team includes Mr. S. G. Lum, junior champion of Australia, and Mr. Koo Hoo-hye, Malay States champion. Provided that two of the three players, chosen will be able to make the trip, the team to represent China will be selected from amongst the Chinese students abroad.

China has a bye in the first round and meets the United States in the second.

ARMY FOOTBALL.

BRITISH BEAT THE BELGIANS.

London, Feb. 16.

In the international Army triangular tournament between Great Britain, France and Belgium, the first match was played to-day at Woolwich, the British Army defeating the Belgian Army by six goals to two.—*Reuter.*

considerable progress in the competition although the Police have created surprises before now. It so happens that at the moment they can field the strongest side which has been represented for several seasons, and they are expected to defeat the Recreio.

Kowloon's Prospects.

Kowloon have been steadily team building and it is a strong side which opposes the R.A.F. In the second round of the Shield Competition at Kowloon to-morrow, Sims returns to the side, and with McKelvie and Hedley as his partners, and Wheeler and Dodshon developing into an ideal pair of backs, the defence is good enough. There are a few qualms about the forwards, but Northey in the centre has been a new life into the vanguard and the R.A.F. defence will be kept on its toes.

Vernon is the most dangerous man in the R.A.F. attack, but he has some clever men on either side of him, and the Kowloon defence will not get off lightly. It will be a good struggle, with the odds favouring the homesters.

Junior Shield.

In the Junior Shield Competition, two unknown quantities, the Queen's and the Scots Guards, make it difficult to form concrete ideas as to the prospects. Kowloon Reserves, depleted by the unfortunate accident to Pasco, who, by the way, is going along fairly well, meet the Guards Reserves. Kowloon Reserves have been following their seniors in Shield prowess and the result is a matter of considerable doubt. The Guards will not repeat their last week's performance, nine goals against St. Joseph's "A."

The Queen's Reserves and St. Joseph's, too, will provide a good struggle. St. Joseph's are going very strongly but one doesn't know what to expect of their opponents.

The K.O.S.B. Reserves should win easily, while the Chinese Athletic appear to be on a good thing.

R. A. Qualifies.

The Royal Artillery defeated South China yesterday afternoon by five goals to one, and qualified to meet the Scots Guards in the second round to-morrow. Yesterday's game was remarkable in many ways. South China held their own till close to the end. They were the first to score, but after Leach had scored two goals, one bearing considerable elements of luck, the defence collapsed and Pulford did the "hat-trick" all three goals coming in quick succession.

The R. A. will be facing opposition of a somewhat different calibre when they meet the Scots Guards, and the probabilities are that they survived yesterday to meet defeat to-morrow. The Guards, it is expected, will be strengthened by the return of McNiven, and their vigorous football is likely to carry them through.

The match will be played immediately on conclusion of the Junior game in order to avoid as far as possible any congestion between the football and the racing crowds.

OUR FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

PRIZE OF \$50 WEEKLY.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" offers a prize of \$50 to the readers who send in twelve correct forecasts of the results of the English and Scottish Cup matches (to be played on Saturday next, February 18th) set out in the Coupon below. No goal scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws.

In the event of no reader forecasting all twelve matches, a prize of \$25 will be given to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts; and in the event of two or more readers sending in an equal high number, the prize of \$25 will be divided.

The competition is in accordance with the rules published in the "Telegraph" during the weeks August 23—September 24.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" FORECAST COMPETITION.

Matches to be played on February 18th:—

ENGLISH CUP.

FIFTH ROUND.

M'chester U. v. Birmingham.
Wednesday v. Sheffield U.
Aston v. Aston Villa.
Leicester v. Tottenham.
M'chester C. v. Stoke C.
Huddersfield v. Middlesbrough.
Notts For. v. Cardiff.

SCOTTISH CUP.

THIRD ROUND.

St. Mirren v. Partick.
Hibernians v. Falkirk.
Aberdon. v. Airdrie.
Kilmarnock v. Queen's Park.
Hearts v. Motherwell.

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M'chester C. v. Stoke C.
Huddersfield v. Middlesbrough.

MILITARY BOXING.

SOUTH CHINA COMMAND TOURNAMENT.

The South China Command team boxing tournament opened at Whitefield Barracks last night, the first rounds being decided. There is a team competition between the Scots Guards, Queen's, King's Own Scottish Borderers and the Royal Artillery and at the end of the contests last night the Borderers were leading.

Points gained up to the present are as follows:

K. O. S. B.	31
Scots Guards	20
Queen's	24

There were fifteen contests last night, all marked by excellent sportsmanship. The competitor's were all exceedingly game and there were several really excellent fights. One of the best was that in which Private Hume figured. He has been seen in the local ring and showed up well against a very game opponent, Private Packwood of the Queen's. The results last night were as follows:

Flyweight.

Boy Murphy (K.O.S.B.), Walk Over.

Lightweights.

Pte. Clark (Queen's), beat Pte. Smith (Queen's), on points.
Gds. Crook (Scots Guards), beat Pte. Higgs (K.O.S.B.), on points.
L. C. Arnett (K.O.S.B.), beat Pte. Potter (Queen's), on points.
Pte. Gordon (K.O.S.B.), knocked out Pte. Birch (R.A.M.C.).
In the second round, Pte. Clarke (Queen's), beat Pte. Gardner (K.O.S.B.).

Welterweight.

Pte. Carney (K.O.S.B.), knocked out Gds. Shields (Scots Guards).

Middleweights.

Pte. Woolley (K.O.S.B.), knocked out L. C. Barr (Queen's).
Dmr. Woollard (Scots Guards), knocked out Gds. McCarthy (Scots Guards).
L. C. Finlayson (K.O.S.B.), beat Pte. Spalding (K.O.S.B.), on points.
Gds. Holmes (Scots Guards), beat Pte. Wischusen (R.A.M.C.), on points.

Pte. Lansdale (Queen's), beat L. C. Taylor (Queen's), on points.
Gds. Campbell (Scots Guards), beat L. C. Frame (K.O.S.B.), on points.

Heavyweights.

Cpl. George (Scots Guards), Walk Over.
The tournament will be continued at 8 p.m. to-night and the finals will be decided to-morrow night.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 14 arrivals and 13 departures, with British making the best numerical return. Tonnage was fair, but freights were generally low, British vessels carrying the second best registries under both headings, with Dutch and German the highest. At 9 o'clock this morning there were 80 vessels in harbour, of which 28 were British.

The American Consulate-General is interested in obtaining information regarding the whereabouts of Mr. L. E. Hoover, Mr. Arthur Morey, and Mr. R. G. Batson. Any particulars regarding the present whereabouts of the above-named persons will be appreciated.

Notts For.	v Cardiff.
St. Mirren	v Partick.
Hibernians	v Falkirk.
Aberdon. v.	v Airdrie.
Kilmarnock	v Queen's Park.
Hearts	v Motherwell.

SHANGHAI GUNMAN SHOT DOWN.

CHINESE CONSTABLE'S COURAGE.

At the Public Mortuary, Shanghai, on Monday, before Judge Keh and Mr. S. L. Burdett, Senior Consul's Deputy, an inquest was held on an unknown Chinese who met his death at 4.40 a.m. on Sunday at the corner of Yunnan and Swatow Roads.

C. P. C. 922 was on duty on Swatow Road, when he heard police whistles and saw three men running towards him, one dressed in black clothes. He pulled out his pistol and fired at the man in black, who, however, kept on running. He again fired and brought the man who was carrying a revolver down. He did not know if he wounded either of the other men but he fired six shots in all.

The Court found that death was due to wounds sustained whilst resisting arrest. The courage displayed was a credit to the Municipal Police and should be brought to the notice of the Commissioner for such action as he might think fit.

ALL ABOUT JAPAN.

A STRIKING PUBLICATION.

We have received from the local office of Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son a copy of "Japan To-day and To-morrow," a finely-produced magazine, issued by the *Osaka Mainichi*, one of the largest and most influential newspapers published in that country.

Comprising over 160 pages, it contains a large variety of articles on changing conditions in the country, industrial matters, the development of Japanese cities, features of Japan's landscape, theatrical and sporting progress, and family life. But the most striking feature of the publication is to be found in the beautiful illustrations with which the book abounds. The majority of these are in colotype, but there are ten special plates done in offset lithography and four-colour process work.

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Matters were really brought to a head by the fact that her Cantonese crew were also much behindhand with their pay.

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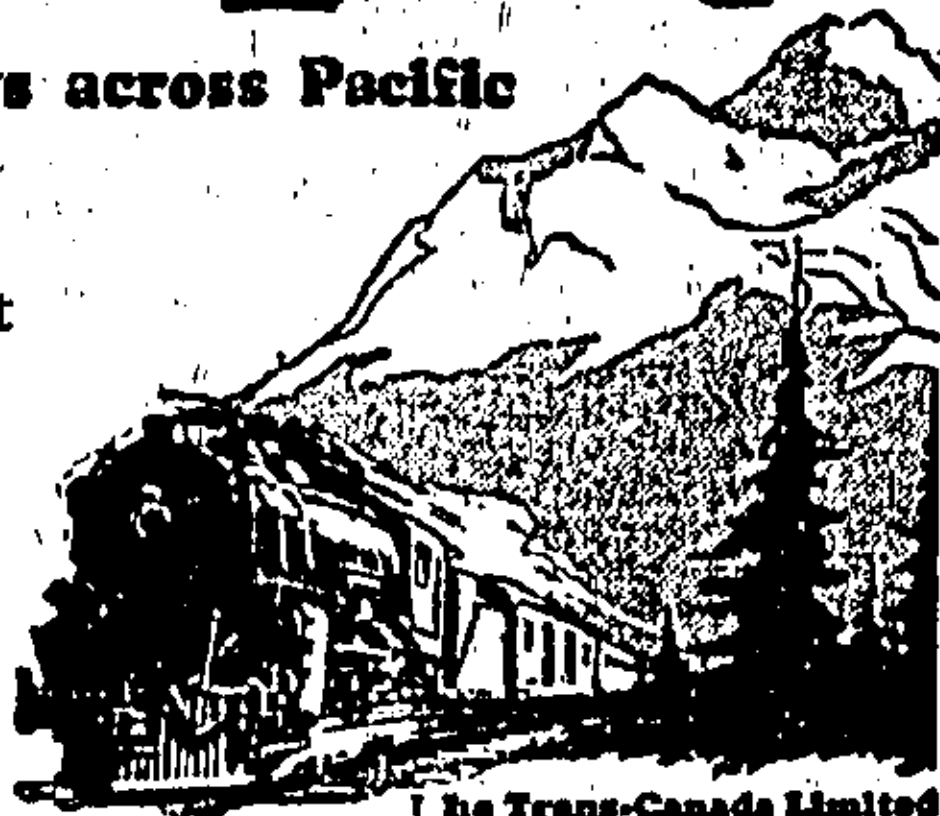


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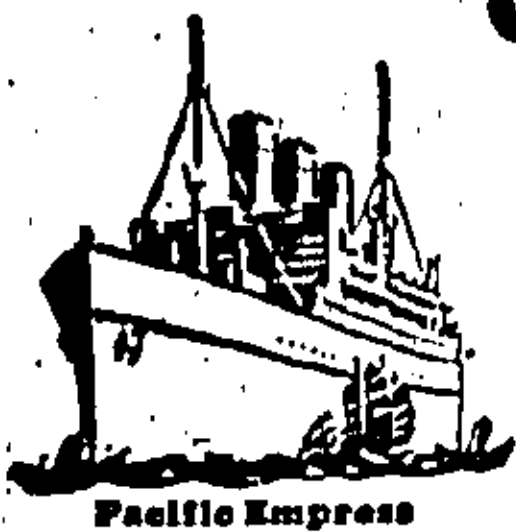


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STUDENT ACQUITTED.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE FAILS.

In the Second Court of Criminal
Sessions, before the Pulne Judge
yesterday, Lo Chi-hing was
charged with the manslaughter of
Ho Kwong-hoi at the premises of
the South China Athletic Association,
China Building on Christmas
Day. Mr. H. K. Holmes appeared
for the Crown and Mr. F. C. Jen-
kin for the defence.

The evidence was conflicting,
and the jury without retiring gave
a verdict of not guilty.

The following jury was em-
panelled. Mr. J. McCubbin (fore-
man), and Messrs. L. Jack, D.
McWhirter, F. X. M. Xavier, F. G.
Herridge, C. E. Xavier, and Shi
Yu-man.

In opening the defence Mr.

Jenkin referred to Dr. Cannon's
evidence which, he said, showed
that a blow with an open hand
would not kill a person. The
defence contended that the blow
was delivered under the place on
the temple as stated by the wit-
nesses for the Crown, and Dr.
Cannon's evidence again showed
that a blow below that line would
not have had a fatal result.

Overwhelming evidence.
The evidence for the defence
was overwhelming with regard to
showing that death did not occur
in consequence of that blow.
Also the deceased did not stagger
or lose his balance. Lo Man-pun,
the brother of Lo Chi-hing, was
the only witness who said the
blow was delivered with the fist,
while Lo Chi-hing himself had
stated that he got up from the
sofa. In conflict with that was
the evidence of other witnesses
who had said he did not get up.

Medical evidence for the de-
fence was given by Dr. J. W. An-
derson, who said that the effect
could have been caused by other
means than a blow on the face.

Such injuries could be caused by
a fall without necessarily breaking
the skin. Such death could not
be caused by a blow with the
open hand. A fall could occur
without external injury provided
that the skin was protected by
something which would break the
impact.

The defendant repeated his
story of being punched by the
deceased and of seizing him and
slapping his face.

Witnesses were called who cor-
roborated his story.

In his concluding address Mr.
Jenkin remarked that it was ill
for the Crown to take only evi-
dence that helped their case and
throw out other evidence. Seven
witnesses had spoken of the blow.
Of these five said definitely it was
delivered with an open hand, one
was not sure and another said it
was a blow with the fist. He
asked the jury if they could dis-
regard those five witnesses. Mr.
Jenkin reminded the jury that the
boy had told his mother that he
had fallen. Before they could
convict the Crown had to satisfy
them that the lad's death was the
result of that blow.

Prisoner Discharged.
After his Lordship had summed
up the jury returned a verdict of
"Not Guilty" without retiring and
the prisoner was discharged.

SALT REVENUES.

HEAVY FALLING OFF LAST YEAR.

Peking, Feb. 16.

The total net salt revenue lodged
in the Group Banks in 1927 amount-
ed to \$5,360,000, a decrease of
\$11,265,000 as compared with
1926. Excluding the amounts re-
tained locally and credited during
that year in the Group Banks by
special arrangement, the revenue
retained by the provincial authori-
ties in 1927 amounted to \$52,567-
000 against \$47,672,000 in 1926.

The lodgements in the Group
Banks and local appropriations
amounted to \$57,907,000, a decrease
of \$6,379,000.

The report of the Gabelle says
that the decrease is due to civil
wars and military interference.
Only the Chihli and Shantung dis-
tricts in 1927 remitted revenue to
the Group Banks.

With the exception of \$2-
750,000 paid as subsidy from
the Group Banks to the Chihli
tupan there was no release for the
general purpose of the Chinese
Government, whereas \$8,863,000
was so released in 1926.

The sum of \$6,497,944 was
paid on account of foreign ob-
ligations secured by the salt re-
venues. The yearly services of the
reorganisation loan 1913 was ar-
ranged in the first instance by the
salt administration but subsequently
refunded in full by the customs.

The scarcity of funds has pre-
vented the full payment of foreign
obligations secured on salt, while
the usual service of part of the
Hukunings and the full service of
the Crisp Loan were paid from
balances carried over from the pre-
vious year and the lodgements with
the Group Banks.

The 1927 funds are insuffi-
cient to meet the instalment for
the amortisation due in
1927, and the Anglo-French loan
amounting to £125,000. The bal-
ance in the Group Banks could not
be maintained at the former sum of
\$7,000,000 and amounted at the end
of 1927 to \$1,014,000 compared with
\$4,860,000 at the end of 1926.—
Reuter.

CORRESPONDENCE.

ROAD MANNERS.

[To the Editor, Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—My letter published by you
on Wednesday was primarily one
of gratitude.

No one was to blame or was
blamed but myself for leaving my
repair outfit in the garage while
the spare wheel was being mended.

As a student of human nature,
your correspondent, "Solution and
Patches," will, I hope, forgive me
for misquoting to him, "To err is
but human, to help is divine (in
Hongkong)."—Yours, etc.,
AUSTIN 7.

Shanghai Feb. 16.

Hwang Fu left for Nanjing this
morning to take up the Foreign
Ministry.—Reuter.

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CHILD'S DEATH.

THREE-YEAR-OLD BOY KILLED BY BUS.

The death of a three-year-old
Chinese boy, who was killed by a
motor bus at the junction of Soy
and Shanghai Streets on January
28, was investigated by Mr. W.
Schofield and a jury at the Kow-
loon Magistrate's yesterday. The
jury comprised Messrs. W. Mac-
farlane, J. K. F. June and Ngen
Choon-chiu.

The medical evidence showed
that the boy died as the result of
a fracture of the base of the skull
and laceration of the left lobe of
the brain.

An eye witness was stated to
have left the Colony and the state-
ment she had made to the Police
was read to the jury. The woman
said that the boy had been playing
on the pavement in Shanghai
Street and ran into the road in an
attempt to cross to the other side.
A bus, which was travelling very
fast, knocked the child down.

The evidence of the bus driver
was that the boy suddenly rushed
into the roadway, witness not see-
ing him until he was about a foot
from the bus. The vehicle was
swerved to the right but the driver
was unable to avoid the accident.

The bus was stated by Sub-
Inspector Mason to be in good
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brakes in good working order.

The jury returned a verdict of
accidental death.

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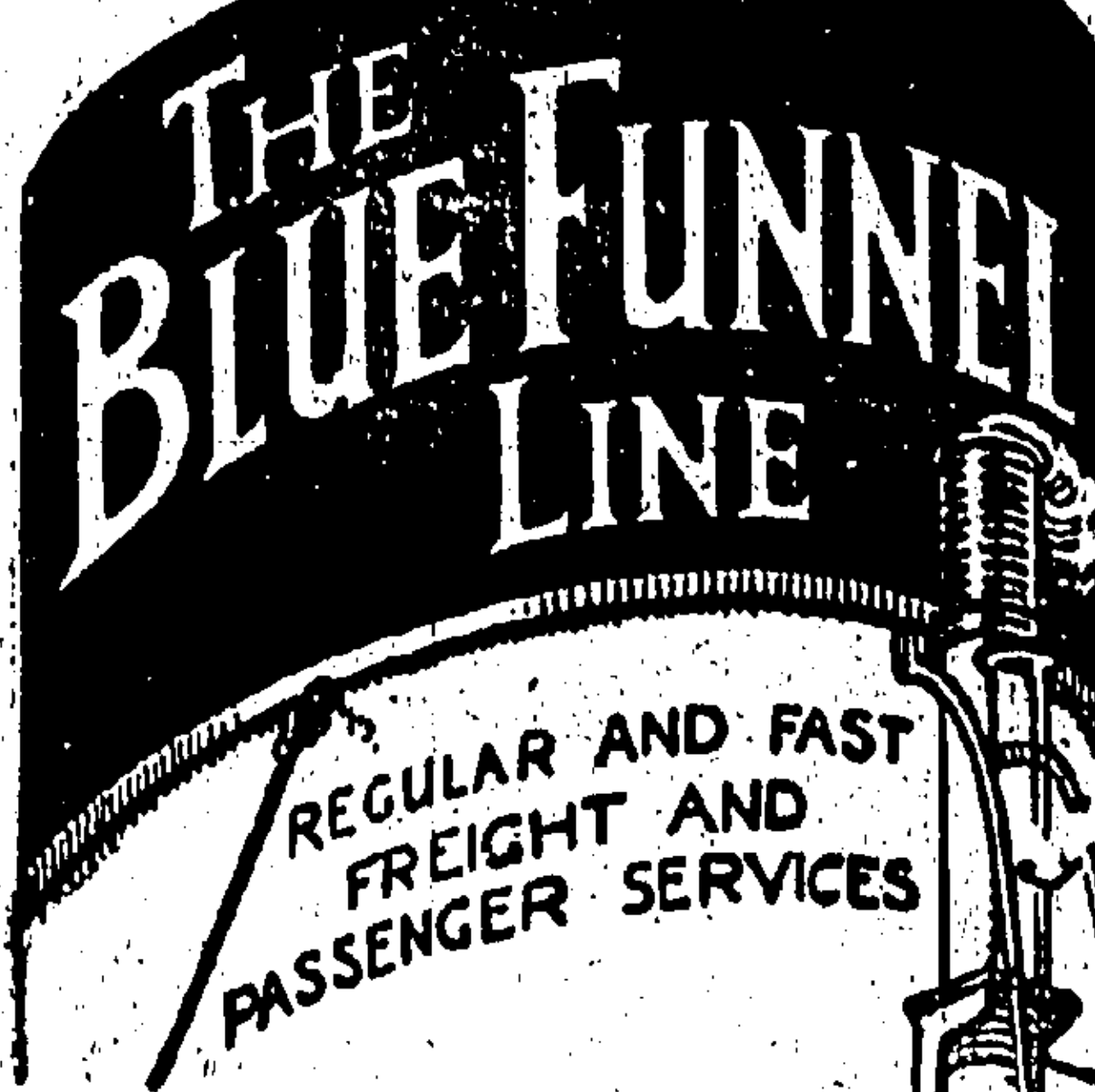
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TO KOBE via AMOI, MOI & YOKOHAMA	Hosang	Thurs. 23rd Feb at 7 a.m.
TO CANTON	Kwongsang	Tues. 21st Feb at 7 a.m.
TO STRAITS & CALCUTTA	Kumsang	Mon. 20th Feb at 3 p.m.
TO SANDAKAN	Hingang	Tues. 28th Feb at 3 p.m.

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THE VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

No. 317. Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. Orders by Lieut. Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O. Commandant.

Hongkong, Friday, Feb. 17, 1928.

1. The Artillery Company will in future be known as "The Battery."

2. A Committee Meeting of the Corps Rifle Club will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.45 p.m. on Monday, 20th February, 1928. All available Officers and unit representatives are to attend.

3. Lance Sergeant F. C. Goodman is appointed of the Corps Rifle Club.

4. The Garrison Rifle Meeting will take place on 17th, 18th, and 19th April, 1928. Two matches are open to Volunteers. Will those interested apply to the Adjutant for details.

5. Conference at Corps Headquarters on Monday, 27th February at 5.30 p.m. on Kirkpatrick Scheme for 1928, all available Officers to attend, all ranks interested in reconnaissance work are invited to attend.

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8. Corps Signals.

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9. Armoured Car Company.

Machine Gunners will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 20th February for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Muff.

Car Section will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 20th February, under 2/Lieut. A. G. Groves.

Motor Cycle Section. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 20th February, under Lieut. Humeck.

Sunday, 19th February, 1928. There will be tactical ride in the New Territories.

Parade at Kowloon Railway Station at 10.30 a.m. Dress: Tunic, breeches, puttees, belt and helmet.

10. Infantry Company.

Musketry Part I. Table T. See Order No. 6.

No. 1 Platoon. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 21st and Friday, 24th February for M. G. Training. Dress: Muff.

No. 2 Platoon. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 21st February for M. G. Training. Dress: Belt, rifle and bayonet.

11. Scottish Company.

Route March. Thursday, 23rd February. All Platoons will parade at full strength at Kowloon Ferry at 5.30 p.m. for Route March to Kowloon Dock where No. 6 Platoon have kindly consented to be "At Home" to Nos. 5 and 7 Platoons. Pipes and Drums will parade above.

Dress: Glenngarry, khaki tunic, kilt, sporran, diced hose, flashes and spats.

ABORIGINAL LABOUR.

USE IN CHINESE COOK SHOPS OBJECTED TO.

Darwin, N. A., Feb. 16.

A Mass meeting of trade unionists has passed a resolution in favour of preventing Chinese cookshops from using aboriginal labour. In Darwin there are approximately 600 whites, 300 aboriginals and from 200 to 300 Chinese. The trade unions have been pressing the blacks not to work for less than a minimum wage.—*Router.*

15. Leave.

The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps:

Major H. E. Standage, O.B.E., from 1.3.28 to 28.2.29.

No. 1061 Pte. F. P. Franklin, A. C. Co. from 1.2.28 to 31.10.28.

No. 1072 Pte. J. R. Hinton, No. 1 Platoon from 1.3.28 to 28.2.29.

No. 824 Pte. W. G. L. Dunbar, No. 7 Platoon from 18.2.28 to 17.1.29.

15. Resignations.

Having left the Colony:

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No. 588 Pte. W. Ironside, Reserve Company, as from 4.2.28.

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